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New Brockton Town Council discusses speed trap implication

by Marvin McLain - Editor

The majority of New Brockton's Town Council meeting Monday evening centered around the police department.

In recent weeks, concerns have been expressed by some that the town has been dubbed a speed trap. There is even a sign at a local business on main street warning motorists of a "speed trap ahead."

A local television station and an area newspaper have done a story on the matter. Many views on the matter have been expressed both pro and con.

Councilman Ron McMonagle, who serves as police commissioner (liaison between the town council and police department), made a statement concerning the matter.

"In March and April of this year we received some concerns by citizens and primarily in the business district of New Brockton concerning the speed of vehicles going through the middle of town in a 30 mile per hour zone," said McMonagle.

Most of the concerns dealt with the angular parking on main street and the speed at which vehicles were passing along main street making it extremely dangerous for those backing out into the flow of traffic.

McMonagle stated that at that time, the local news media, both newspaper and television, were notified of the problem. Ads and news articles were run during the month of May advising the public that the speed limits in New Brockton would

be strictly enforced.

During the month of June, police officers worked radar along the main street area issuing verbal and written warnings only during this time.

"In the month of July, we started writing tickets," said McMonagle. "No ticket has been written under 10 miles an hour over the speed limit in the city of New Brockton."

The councilman gave the following breakdown of speeding tickets written in the past 92 days (August, September and October).

They were as follows: 68 tickets have been written for those exceeding the speed limit by 11 - 14 miles per hour; 144 tickets have been written for those exceeding the speed limit by 15 - 20 miles per hour; 42 tickets have been written for those exceeding the speed limit by 21 - 25 miles per hour; and 10 tickets written for speed in excess of 26 miles per hour over the speed limit.

McMonagle noted that a total of 264 tickets were written for speeding. That comes to 2.87 tickets per day. "That's less than 3 tickets per day," he said.

The councilman commented that watching for speeders was not the only duty performed by police officers.

"We're here to protect the citizens of New Brockton," said McMonagle. "Traffic has slowed down especially through the commercial district...it's definitely better than what it was."

He commended the chief of police and his men for the job that they

have done and are doing.

A local citizen attending Monday's meeting commended McMonagle. "You've really done your homework," he said.

Luey Stuckey, a citizen of the town, expressed concern for the lack of a fulltime (24 hours per day) dispatcher for the police department.

The council acknowledged a problem in this area. Council members stated that several attempts to provide a round-the-clock dispatcher for the police department had been unsuccessful. Bottom line, the problem is finances.

It was noted that after business hours, second and third shifts, the phones at the police station are switched to ring at the Coffee County Jail and police officers are dispatched to complaints from there.

The council also heard a variety of complaints from citizens in attendance concerning driver's license checks, police officers following citizens, seemingly unwarranted traffic stops, etc.

Members of the council committed to striving to make things better with the police department and acknowledged that things are not perfect.

The mayor and individual councilmen asked the public to notify them personally of any complaints they may have against the police department. They also thanked them for their attendance and input.

Police Chief Charles Driggers reported that during the past month, his department had answered 16 complaints, made 4 arrests, and issued 128 traffic citations. Eight dogs had been taken to the Elba Dog Pound.

He stated that the rescue squad had made 15 runs and the fire department had responded to 6 fires.

Fire Chief James Brown noted that the outside work on the new fire station had been completed and work had begun on the inside.

Other matters of business acted on by the council were as follows:

***Agreed to a contract with Titan Insurance Company as its municipal insurance carrier. The estimated annual savings to the town is \$10,000.00. Southeast Insurance of Elba is the agency through which the coverage is provided.

***Fired senior aide to assist the city clerk.

***Voted to give garbage contractor Royce Herrington one week to submit the proper paperwork to the town or another contractor would be sought.

***Agreed to update the phone system at city hall at a cost of \$2,691.20. GTE will provide the equipment.

***Approved a FY-98 budget for the town of \$310,908.00.

***Paid monthly bills totalling \$27,272.80.

***Approved the city clerk's attendance at a training seminar Nov. 11-12.

***Designated Thanksgiving Day and the day after as paid holidays for employees of the town.

Banker & farmer in Farm-City Job Swap

by Marvin McLain - Editor

An Elba lady becomes a farmer-for-a-day while a brother farm team entered the banking world.

Tuesday morning, Doris Matthews, President of The Peoples Bank of Coffee County, visited the Wallace Farm in the Goodman Community and experienced several aspects of farm life.

Doris fed the cows, "manually" picked some cotton, and visited a peanut field. She admitted that it had been a long time since she had done any farm chores.

She shared the fact that thirty years ago, she married, moved six miles to town and went to work in the bank.

On the other hand, Laverall and Carlton Wallace and their brother, Delone, farm more than 1200 acres in the Goodman Community.

They raise cotton, peanuts, a little corn and tend a small herd of cattle. Both Carlton and Laverall have held other jobs but for the past several years, they have been involved with their brother in farming.

The Wallace brothers were taken on a tour of The Peoples Bank in Elba and given a brief overview of the duties of a banker by Doris.

Laverall noted that there is a lot more to banking than meets the eye. Doris commented that farming is an integral part of the business world and is important to the community.

Banking and farming go hand-in-hand in meeting the demands and needs of today's world.

This event was all part of the Farm-City Swap which has become an annual event of Farm-City Week in Coffee County.

The "swap" took place with Doris and the two brothers exchanging duties while a group of "news hounds" looked on.

The Farm-City Swap is a prelude to other events which will take place during the next few weeks.

Officially, the Farm-City Week Celebration is scheduled during the month of November; however, there are several other related events which take place before and after the actual week of celebration.

The purpose of Farm-City Week is to help build greater understanding between rural and urban residents and to encourage everyone to become partners in progress.

Be on the lookout for more Farm-City Week related events in which YOU can take part.



LAVERALL (SEATED) PREPARES A LOAN APPLICATION WHILE DORIS AND CARLTON LOOK ON. ELBA MAYOR JAMES GRIMES IS THE "LOAN APPLICANT."



CARLTON AND DORIS FEED THE COWS

VA Outpatient Clinic In Dothan

Jimmie L. Clay, FACHE, Director of the Central Alabama Veterans Health Care System (CAVHCS) announced Monday the opening of the VA Outpatient Clinic - Dothan.

The opening date is set for Monday, December 8, 1997. A grand opening and dedication ceremony is slated for January 1998.

The VA Outpatient Clinic - Dothan will provide eligible veterans, by appointment, primary care, preventive health management services, and disease detection.

CAVHCS management anticipates an estimated 2,500 veterans from the Dothan area and surrounding counties will utilize clinic services for their primary care needs.

Ms. Carol W. Smith, Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner (CRNP), is Case Manager for the VA Outpatient Clinic - Dothan.

As Case Manager, Ms. Smith is responsible for overseeing patient

care. She will refer eligible veterans interested in enrolling to the Dothan Clinic for their care.

Ms. Smith may be reached Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. (CST), toll free at 1-800-974-6690.

Sterling Medical, a leading medical service contractor based in Cincinnati, Ohio, was awarded a contract on October 23, 1997, to provide primary medical services to veterans in the Dothan Clinic.

The medical contractor has provided contract medical services on behalf of U. S. government military facilities for more than 20 years.

Veterans receiving care at the VA Outpatient Clinic - Dothan are also eligible for referral services to CACHCS, in Montgomery or Tuskegee, Alabama for consultation and other medical services as deemed necessary by their primary care physician.

* * HAPPENINGS * *

AREA FOOTBALL GAMES. Zion Chapel Rebels travel to New Brockton on Thursday (TONIGHT) - kickoff at 7:00 p.m.; Friday - the Elba Tigers are at home against Monroe County - kickoff at 7:30 p.m.; Friday the Brantley Bulldogs travel to J. U. Blackshear - kickoff at 7:30 p.m., and Kinston played Houston Academy on Wednesday night (last night).

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING. The Coffee County Commission will hold its bi-monthly meeting Monday, November 10, at 9:00 a.m. in the Community Room located in the County Complex in New Brockton, AL.

MUNICIPAL HOLIDAY CLOSINGS. Elba City Hall and New Brockton Town Hall will be closed Tuesday, November 11, in observance of Veterans Day. Normal business hours will resume Wednesday, November 12. In case of utility emergencies, call the Elba Police Department at 897-2555 in Elba or the New Brockton Police Department at 894-5559 in New Brockton.

FIREFIGHTERS MEET. The quarterly meeting of the Coffee County Firefighters association will be held Tuesday, November 11, 1997, at the old Victoria Church at the intersection of Co. Rds. 215, 210, and AL Hwy. 125. The board of directors will meet at 6:00 p.m. followed by a general meeting of the membership at 7:00 p.m. For additional information call Caroline Driscoll @ 347-5160 or Mark Ward @ 565-3523.

DISASTER SERVICE TRAINING. The Coffee County American Red Cross will hold introductory to Disaster classes in Kinston on Thursday, Nov. 13, from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. and on Tuesday, Nov. 18, from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. The classes are offered free of charge to individuals willing to volunteer. For information concerning this class or to sign up call the Red Cross office @ 347-2641 or contact Chief Tim Jeter at the Kinston Police Department.

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK. The Elba City Schools will celebrate American Education Week Nov. 9 thru 15. A tea and reception for retired teachers will be held at Elba High School on Nov. 12; local board of education members and the press are invited to a lunch on Nov. 13; and the student council will present apples of appreciation to all local teachers.

Sheriff's K-9 certified nationally

by Marvin McLain - Editor

Lt. Jack Herbert, with the Coffee County Sheriff's Department and his K-9 partner, Ferro, have successfully completed training qualifying them for membership in the national Police Canine Association.

During the week of October 27 thru 31, 1997, Lt. Herbert and Ferro completed intensive training at the Regional Counterdrug Training Academy in Meridian, Mississippi.

Nationally recognized instructor Jack Robicheaux is a certified judge for the United States Police Canine Association and a board member for Region 10 of this organization.

Robicheaux is also a board member for the National Narcotics Detection Dog Association.

Certification offers the handler a process of having his dog's proficiency evaluated by an objective second party.

There are many reasons why a handler should have his dog certified. For example, it provides the opportunity to have a second party provide an unbiased evaluation of his dog's ability to detect narcotics.

The advantages of this are that a handler will receive a true picture of his dog's proficiency. If the evaluation is done by a nationally recognized organization, against nationally recognized criteria, then the handler will have the opportunity to have his dog's proficiency evaluated against these nationally recognized standards.

Such evaluation may be particularly important if a handler's dog's credibility is questioned in the due process of the legal system. Ferro is believed to be the second nationally certified narcotics detection dog in the immediate area with the other one being in Houston County.



FERRO

Ferro's drug detection certification includes the following illegal drugs: marijuana, cocaine, crack, heroin, and methamphetamines.

More Magical Christmas plans

The Elba Chamber of Commerce is making plans for the tenth annual Christmas Parade on Saturday, November 29, 1997, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

All area churches, bands, school groups, clubs, civic organizations, beauty queens, etc., are encouraged to be a part of this magical time of the year.

The Chamber is asking that each entry be lighted (if possible). Line-up time for the parade will be 4:00 p.m. in the Miller Memorial Stadium parking lot behind the old high school in downtown Elba.

In keeping with the belief that sharing with others is part of the magic of Christmas, the first float in the parade will be a community float bearing the theme, "A Magical Christmas."

Each person planning to watch the parade is asked to bring some item (food, toy, clothing, etc.) to place on the float as it passes by. The items collected will be given to those who are less fortunate in order to help them celebrate the true Christmas spirit.

For more information on the parade, contact Kaye Whitworth, parade chairperson, at 897-3669.

Also being planned is a Christmas "open pageant" with five categories. They will be as follows: 1 - Tiny Tot

Miss Christmas, ages 2 thru 4; 2 - Little Miss Christmas, grades K thru 3; 3 - Mini Miss Christmas, grades 4 thru 6; 4 - Junior Miss Christmas, grades 7 thru 9; and 5 - Miss Christmas, grades 10 thru 12.

Dress for this year's pageant will be casual (preferably Christmas - not in pageant). All contestants will ride on a float in the Christmas parade at 5:00 p.m.

Entrance fee for the pageant will be \$10.00. Prizes will be awarded to all participants.

For additional information, contact Starla Amison at 897-8301 (after 5:00 p.m.), Kim Lowery at 347-5080 (after 5:00 p.m.), or the Elba Chamber of Commerce office at 897-3125.

HOMECOMING PARADE ROUTE

November 7, 1997 @ 3:00 p.m.

The floats and marching units of the parade will line up at the old football stadium and high school parking lot. They will then proceed along the following route: Dixon Street to the Troy Highway; then south on the Troy Highway by Cook Chevrolet to Claxton Avenue; south on Claxton by Hardee's and The Peoples Bank; left on Buford to Court Street by Martin's to Davis Street; left on Davis Street by Ace Hardware to Factory Avenue; left on Factory Avenue by Skinner's and City Hall to Collier Street; left on Collier Street by SouthTrust Bank to Carnley Street; right on Carnley Street to Newton Street; right on Newton Street and back to the staging area.

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

The upcoming race for governor and other statewide offices is continuing to heat up as candidates jockey for position (and campaign funds). There are already potential candidates dropping by the wayside for various reasons, including fruitless searches for allusive campaign money. Of particular interest to folks in this area is, "What is Judge Terry Butts gonna do?" He has been mentioned as a candidate for governor next year, even though there are several years left on his Supreme Court term. Not enjoying having to tell folks "Don't know what he plans to do now that the Lt. Governor is an announced candidate," we asked the judge this well. Terry himself. Still we don't know. Judge Butts said last Wednesday that he is still talking with those urging him to run and looking at the race, but it takes a lot of money for a credible campaign. With special interest donations already lining up elsewhere, he thinks it would be awful tough, if not impossible, to raise the money necessary to mount a successful campaign. Still, he was in Mobile last week, speaking at a big convention, to a lot of movers and shakers. What does this mean? You decide... it could mean Butts will run anyway; it could mean he will stay where he is on the Alabama Supreme Court; it could mean... well it could mean he will come back to Coffee County and jump stumps, who knows. We also heard some political types were urging Judge Butts to get into one of the other statewide races next year (which office varies with every story teller), but when asked, Terry just laughed and admitted he had heard the same things.

The debate in Laurens over local funding of education is a no win battle for all parties. Mayor Johnny Henderson will probably soon learn not to take on all the parents in town... plus School Superintendent Thad Morgan. The school administration, in turn, will face a lot of flak over their \$8 million reserve account. The city government has already lost a battle on increasing business licenses. They had to rescind an ordinance on that, probably not because it was an increase, but because it was too much at one time. Now those backing the school funding cap will probably "lose face" again before the dust settles around the school funding issue. Then school administrators will wind up spending down their cash reserve to meet the complaints in that department. There is a fine line between good management of finances and squaring away monies needed to educate children. Opinions on where this line is vary greatly, but it is a given that politicians don't like to see cash reserves in another agency's bank account. There have been many major fights over much smaller surpluses. We are not going to even try to run the City of Enterprise nor the Enterprise school system... both have done well for many years without our help. We do hope all this debate doesn't hurt a city which is serious about making PROGRESS a working part of its motto nor a school system which regularly turns out high quality students who can hold their own with any in the nation.

At the time, it appeared the U. S. was right in stopping the war in Iraq before destroying everything. More and more it is looking like that decision was shortsighted. Bad guy Saddam Hussein still doesn't know he was defeated and is issuing ultimatums to the Americans as he tries to hide his military secrets. He gets Iraqi citizens all worked up with speeches about the cruel Americans, when actually he just wants to keep the U.S. away from his weapons storage and building plants. This guy will keep on prodding the U.S. nerves until he dies or until he touches a nerve which is overly sensitive and is again plunged into a war he can't win.

The New Brockton police department has come under fire recently as a "speed trap." No one can deny they have written a whole bunch of speeding tickets in recent months. However, we heard Chief Driggers issue warnings that this was going to happen if traffic didn't slow down. Personally, we hope tickets being written are in New Brockton where the problem appears to be and not out of the city limits in the jurisdiction. In years past we have witnessed the New Brockton (plus Elba and others) police officers parked beside the road, put in the police jurisdiction, late at night and before daylight in the mornings, "working the radar." That would be the perfect time to rob downtown businesses... when that lone enthusiastic police officer is on duty and out in the country writing speeding tickets.

Tell'em you read it in...
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AL SMITH Attorney at Law

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A RIBBON CUTTING was held Saturday afternoon at Heartfelt Ministry, located at 135 W. Davis Street, just before crossing Pea River and across from the post office. Renovated and operated by Christian volunteers, the Ministry hopes to offer a variety of support and referral services.

ELBA POLICE REPORT

OCTOBER 27 Thru NOVEMBER 2, 1997

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, October 27, 1997, investigated the following incidents: one assault, four harassments, two criminal mischiefs, one negotiation of a worthless negotiable instrument, three burglaries, two DUIs and one dog bite.

The following arrest was made: one for harassment. Traffic citations issued were as follows: one for driving while driver's license is suspended, one for an expired tag, one for running a stop sign, three for DUI and one for driving while driver's license is revoked.

Daily activity highlights were as follows:
MONDAY, OCTOBER 27 - River stage - 8.42 feet (6:07 a.m.); Wreck reported on U.S. Hwy. 84W (6:42 a.m.); Attempted burglary reported at Smith-Harper Apts. (10:18 p.m.).

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28 - River stage - 9.00 feet (6:09 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of Smith Ave. and Riverview Dr. (6:28 p.m.); Rescue run to a wreck at the intersection of U.S. Hwy. 84W and Rd. 114 (5:41 p.m.); Wreck (vehicle vs deer) Co. Rd. 239 (6:12 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29 - River stage - 9.85 (6:15 a.m.); Rescue run to Taylor Mill Oaks (4:28 p.m.); Routine activity.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30 - Prowler reported at Mullins Apts. (1:58 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Dunham St. (5:54 a.m.); River stage - 7.40 feet (6:24 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of Highland Dr. and Claxton Ave. (5:01 p.m.); Rescue squad dispatched to above wreck (5:04 p.m.).

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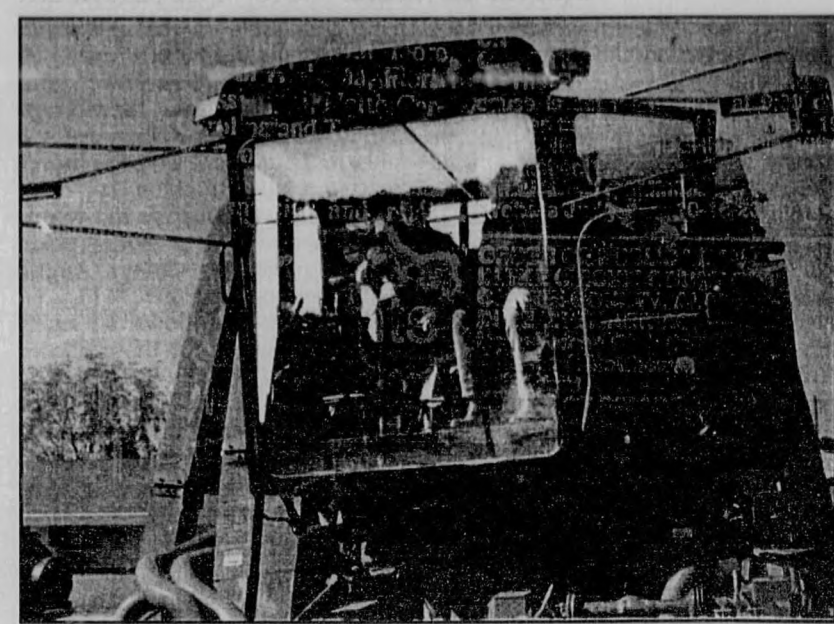
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ROTARY CLUB - Tuesday @ Noon - First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.
ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN. - Tues. 8:00 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.
ELBA CITY COUNCIL - 2nd & 4th Monday 6:00 p.m. City Hall.
COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION - 2nd & 4th Monday of each month - Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton.
LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizens Center.
ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thurs. 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
RESCUE SQUAD - 2nd & 4th Tues. 7:00 p.m. - Rescue Squad Building.
MAKONICK LODGE #19 in 3rd Monday of each month 7 p.m.
BAND BOOSTERS in Mon. 7 p.m. - Band Room @ Elba High School.
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER Mon-Fri 8-12 noon & 12:30-3:30 New Brockton @ Farm Center Complex 894-5858.
COFFEE COUNTY COONHUNTERS ASSN. - 3rd Sat. 2 p.m. - Club House.
COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN 3rd Wed. Noon - Country Inn, Enterprise.
AIRPORT AUTHORITY 1st Tuesday 12 Noon - City Hall Conference Room.
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More Farm-City Job Swap...



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CARLTON INSTRUCTS DORIS ON THE OPERATION ON AUTOMATED COTTON PICKER. ONLOOKERS CAUTIONED DORIS NOT TO TOUCH ANY BUTTONS OR TURN ANY KNOBS!



FROM THE HOUSE

Congressman
Terry Everett

Many Federal Education Dollars Miss the Classroom

Recent studies show that between one quarter to one-third of federal tax dollars spent on education don't go to the classroom at all - but rather go to feed the federal bureaucracy. The conservative Congress is now focusing the spotlight on this inefficiency while working to restore our children's education to top priority.

Although federal education spending only amounts to five to six percent of all education spending nationally, people don't know that this five to six percent adds up to \$100 billion a year on more than 760 federal education programs, which span 40 separate federal agencies. Clearly, there is no shortage of federal education funding - just a lack of good management in the federal government. As is the case with most things in Washington, the bureaucracy siphons off a significant share of tax dollars before they can reach the intended recipient - in this instance our children's classrooms.

One such example is the U.S. Department of Education's elementary and secondary education program budget. Of the total \$15.4 billion spent by this government agency for children's education, \$5.4 billion remains in the government. Some of that money is spent on mountains of studies which have little to do with educating our youth. These include publications that the Education Department sells to the public ranging from career planning to research techniques to studies on cement. Wouldn't this money be better spent on books or computers in our local classrooms? In addition to the waste, the federal education bureaucracy is fraught with red tape, hopelessly tying the hands of teachers and local educators in search of additional classroom funds. For example, teachers who try to secure education grants must waste hours upon hours on an application process that takes 21 weeks and churns through no less than 216 tedious steps of bureaucratic red tape. This red tape also places an already cash-strapped local and state education budgets.

In an effort to infuse some common sense into our federal education policy, the U.S. House of Representatives resoundingly passed H. Res. 139, the Dollars to the Classroom resolution, last week. This 310 to 99 vote expressed the sense of the U.S. House that the U.S. Department of Education, state education departments, and local education agencies must work together to ensure that not less than 90 percent of all funds intended for carrying out elementary and secondary education programs is spent for our children in their classrooms. If this effort is successful, the result would mean an additional \$1,800 for each classroom across America.

On March 27, 1996, before the National Governor's Association, President Clinton correctly pointed out that, "We cannot ask the American people to spend more on education until we've got now." Unfortunately, since then he has proposed a new layer of bureaucracy in the name of national testing. Congress has made it clear that money for education should go directly to teachers who know your child's name, not Washington bureaucrats.

***** NOTICE *****

IN OBSERVANCE OF VETERANS DAY,
The Peoples Bank of Coffee County will be closed on
Tuesday, November 11, 1997, to allow our employees to
join in the observance of this holiday

Regular Banking Hours Will Resume
Wednesday, November 12, 1997.

The Peoples Bank

of Coffee County

Elba Member FDIC New Brockton

AL Water Watch groups can define problems and initiate changes

Alabama Water Watch groups "can define problems and initiate changes in the state's water quality," according to Bill Deutsch, a research fellow in the Dept. of Fisheries and Allied Aquacultures in Auburn University's College of Agriculture.

The main objective of Alabama Water Watch is to foster the development of citizen volunteer groups who will test water quality in their area streams and lakes and use that information to improve water quality and affect state policy, said Deutsch, who is program manager for the organization.

To become certified water quality monitors, volunteers can complete a six-hour training session on how to use a portable test kit for monitoring temperature, dissolved oxygen, total alkalinity, hardness, pH and turbidity.

The groups include home and boat owner associations, environmental clubs and school groups, and interests vary from concerns about property value to ecology. For information about workshops or how to get involved, call toll free 1-888-844-4785.



AMY DRIGGERS completed Air Force Officer Training School on Sept. 20, 1997, and the same day was commissioned a Second Lieutenant by her father, Lt. Col. Mitchell (Mickey) Driggers, USAF (Ret.) Amy's mother, Donna, assisted Mickey with the pinning honors. Like her dad, Amy is now in flight school at Pensacola, and hopes to fly the F15E Strike Eagle after winning her wings. Amy also is following in the footsteps of her late grandfather, SMSgt. Farrah D. Morrow, USAF (Ret.).

AREA DEATHS

JEWEL WARD
Mrs. Jewel Ward, age 77, of Elba, died Oct. 29, 1997, in the Elba Nursing Home.

Graveside services were held Oct. 31, at 2 p.m. in the New Hope Baptist Church Cemetery, with Rev. J.C. Turner officiating and Dillard-Jackson-Bryan Funeral Home of Brundidge directing.

Survivors include: a daughter and son-in-law: Sydney and Eric Wilson, New Hope; a son and daughter-in-law: Ronnie and Irene Norton, Brundidge; a brother: Ralph Renfro, Seagraves, Tex.; three sisters: Rosie Lee Weakley, Brundidge; Gaynell Brooks, Troy; Dorothy Adams, Phenix City; three grandchildren: Amy Peoples, Americus; Anna Wilson; one great-grandchild: Elizabeth Camley.

NOAH E. JORDAN
Mr. Noah E. Jordan, age 71, of Louisville, Ala., died suddenly Oct. 26, 1997, at his home.

Funeral services were held Oct. 29, 1997, at 11 a.m. at Kent Funeral Home in Clayton, Ala., with Rev. Curtis Rich and Steve Potat officiating. Burial followed in Louisville Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife: Mary "Liz" Jordan, one son: Ervin Jordan, two grandchildren: Christopher and Tiffany Jordan, all of Louisville; two brothers and sisters-in-law: Loyd and Virginia Jordan, Victoria Community; Jimmy Dean and Becky Jordan, Phenix City; a brother-in-law: Ray Rozell, Phenix City.

SIDNEY W. SIMPSON
Sidney W. Simpson, age 79, of Phenix City, Fla., died Nov. 2, 1997, at Sacred Heart Hospital.

Funeral services were held Nov. 4, 1997, at 2 p.m. at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel, with Dr. Tony Dye officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his wife: Emma Simpson, Phenix City, Fla.; three brothers: Robert Simpson, Wilson, N.Y.; Sam Simpson, Cleveland, Ohio; Art Simpson, Zephyr, Fla.

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1997 annual SAEC membership meeting held

The 1997 annual meeting of South Alabama Electric Cooperative was held Oct. 28 at the Pike County Fairgrounds with 620 members registering to vote.

Entertainment was provided by the Palmetto State Quartet.

Max Davis, general manager, updated attendees on programs the cooperative has been involved with during 1997.

One of these is the "Writing to Read" program, a computer-based

curriculum for kindergartners and first-graders, and Davis said schools in the three-county area have adopted the program. SAEC is participating in the funding.

Also the cooperative is currently working to install the Internet to these same school systems.

Davis also informed the members that SAEC, along with other Alabama Electric Cooperatives, will be implementing an after-hours answer system.

"This will allow each of you to notify the cooperative of problems you are experiencing," he said.

Elections for three Board of Trustees positions were held, and elected to the three-year terms were:

Delaney Kervin - District 5.
Kervin is headmaster at Pike Liberal Arts School in Troy. He and his wife Quintilla are members of the Oak Grove Methodist Church and he is a member of the Alabama National Guard.

Douglas Green - District 6.
Green is a poultry farmer from Coffee County. He and his wife Hazel are members of Hebron Baptist Church. He is secretary-treasurer for the South Alabama Marketing board.

Glenn Reeder - District 7.

Reeder's experience includes 23 years in the U.S. Army, as well as being an educator, a hospital controller and a Gideon. He and his wife Eloise reside in Jack.

Flute-Harp duo to appear at Elba First Baptist Nov. 8th

The Flute and Harp Duo of Megan Meisenbach and Mary Golden will appear at Elba First Baptist Church on Saturday, Nov. 8, beginning at 7:30 p.m., sponsored by the Coffee County Arts alliance.

The duo has concertized in 17 states and Mexico, has soloed with various orchestras, and received awards in competition.

Tickets are available at the usual CCCC outlets: Westgate Book and Gift, The Framery, and Plain 'N Fancy, Enterprise; Jewel Box, Elba; and ITR, Ft. Rucker.

Tickets are \$14 in advance and \$16 at the door.

Advance group and student tickets are also available. For more information contact someone at your ticket outlet.

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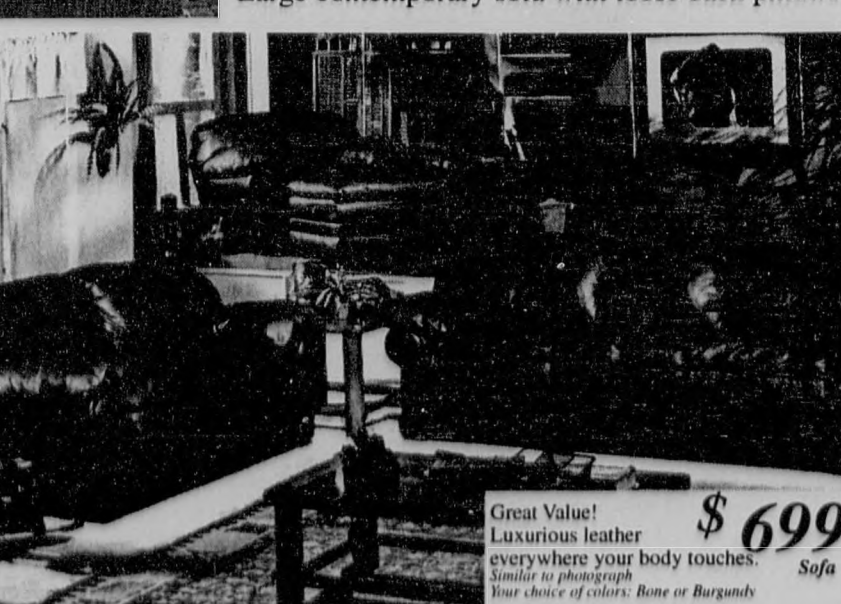
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Chandler's Furniture

Social & Community News

Mr. & Mrs. Mike Harrelson announces birth of daughter



TAYLOR DANIELLE HARRELSON
Mike and Jill Harrelson of Eufaula announce the birth of their daughter, Taylor Danielle, on Sept. 23, 1997. She weighed 8 lbs. 14 ozs. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Alton Harrelson, Elba, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hamilton, Chattahoochee, Fla.

New Arrival

KAMERON WILSON WARD
Kendall Brooks Ward would like to announce the birth of her brother, Kameron Wilson Ward, on Oct. 8, 1997, at 3:20 at Columbia Andalusia Regional Hospital. Kameron weighed 8 lbs. 15 ozs. and was 24 inches long. He is the son of Rob and Ginger Ward. Maternal grandparents are Carol and Perry Wilson of Elba. Paternal grandparents are Mary and David Ward of Hartford. Great-grandmother is Salie Bryan of Elba.



Miss Knox & Mr. Dixon

Knox-Dixon wedding planned for December

Rev. and Mrs. Wilford Knox of Elba announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, LaTaya Kokiet Knox, to Larry Bernard Dixon, grandson of Mrs. Agnes Dixon of Elba. The bride-elect is presently employed with the Russell County Board of Education, and teaches sixth grade at Mt. Olive Elementary School in Seale, Ala. The future groom is a member of the United States Armed Forces, stationed at Ft. Bragg, N.C. A December wedding is planned.

Miss Black & Mr. Parker announce wedding plans

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Black of Elba announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Britney Michelle Black, to Michael Paul Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Parker of Jacksonville, Fla.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bagwell and the late Hubert Black of the Chestnut Grove Community, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Rugg of Elba. The future bride is a graduate of Zion Chapel High School and MacArthur State Technical College with a degree in Cosmetology. She is employed at a beauty shop in Enterprise.

The future groom is a graduate of Zion Chapel High School and MacArthur State Technical College in Drafting and Design, and is employed with a Troy firm. Michael is the grandson of Mr. Lloyd Eddins of Jack and the late Peggy Eddins and Dr. and Mrs. Donald Crook of Elba, and the late Virgil Parker.

The wedding will be an event of Saturday, Dec. 6 at six o'clock in the evening at Zion Chapel Baptist Church. A reception will follow in the church fellowship hall. No local invitations are being sent. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

"Mothers of Twins" Club to hold first meeting

The "Mothers of Twins" Club will hold their first meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 11, 6-8 p.m. at the Southeast Medical Center in Dothan, at the first meeting room. For additional information contact Amy Self - 912/334-5000.

MEISENBACH - GOLDEN
a Duo to be reckoned with

San Antonio Express - News



Saturday, November 8, 7:30 P.M.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Elba

Advanced Tickets \$14.00 Students-\$10.00
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Steven Alex King is one year old



Steven King

Steven (Alex) King Jr. was one year old on Oct. 6, and celebrated his birthday with his Aunt Ovela Sanders, who was five years old on Oct. 1. The party was held at Babbie City Hall with family and friends celebrating together. Steven Alex is the son of Christina Sanders of Elba, and Steven King, Opp. Grandparents are Susan and Wayne Sanders, Elba; Joan King and Rob Harrell, Opp. Great-grandparents are Lois Anderson and Ella Sanders of Elba.

Chip Curtis

Chip Curtis celebrates 2nd birthday

Chip Curtis celebrated his second birthday Oct. 5 with his family as they vacationed together in Franklin, N.C.

Chip enjoyed having a fall picnic party in Cherokee, where he fed the bears, rode the choo-choo train and his favorite thing - threw rocks in the water.

Joining him and his parents, Philip and Janna Curtis of Birmingham, in the beautiful Smokies were cousins Tyler Curtis, Huntsville, and Caleb and Hannah Pierce, Athens, great-grandparents "Daddy Ben" and Grandpa and Grandma (Aunt and Patsy) Curtis, Huntsville; Aunt Leah and Uncle Kirk Pierce, Athens; Aunt Laura Curtis and Aunt Maria Curtis, Huntsville; Uncle Mack and his Carolyn Westbrook, Elba; and his grandparents Grandmommy and Papa (Chip and Linda) Westbrook of Elba.

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Church Notes

New Brockton United Methodist Church has Pastor Appreciation event

New Brockton United Methodist Church held a Pastor Appreciation event on Saturday night, Nov. 1, at 6:30 in the church fellowship hall. Pastor of the church is Rev. Ben McKee.

Church members and visitors enjoyed a meal and games, and presented Rev. McKee and his wife Martha with gifts and a basket filled with notes of love and appreciation for them.

Mustard Seed Foundation News

Eastern Star to have Fellowship Luncheon

"The Hendersons" from Milton, Fla., will be in concert at Country Cathedral Sunday evening, Nov. 9, beginning at 6 o'clock.

There is no admission charge, and everyone is invited.

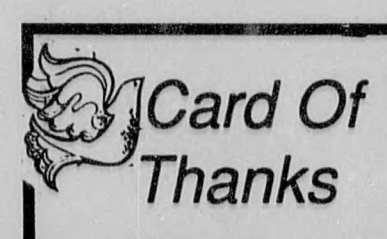
The church is located on U.S. Hwy 84, east of Opp.



We would like to thank everyone for all the kindness shown us during our loss of Jewel - the visits, calls, food - also Mart Gray, Tony Dye and Rob Paul for the comfort they gave at the service.

May God bless.

FAMILY OF JEWEL PADGETT



Mr. Avery D. Jackson

Oct. 22, 1906 - Oct. 3, 1997

Recently a very special person passed from this earth - a person we loved very much; and he left many sad hearts behind. This has been a very difficult time for us.

We would like to express our thanks and appreciation to all of our friends and family who came forth with support and comfort for us.

May God bless each of you.

Edna and Henry Hildreth

Daniel Hildreth

Donna, Steve, Shelby, and Kelsey

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Tina, Ken, Stephanie, and Eric

Dorothy and Harold Solomon

Margina and Meredith Solomon

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation to each person who showed their love for our mother, Lena N. Grimes.

Thank you for the flowers, food, visits, cards, telephone calls, and your prayers.

May God bless each of you.

THE FAMILY OF LENA N. GRIMES

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ROUND & ABOUT WITH ERIA
897-2006

Scripture: Psalm 20:1-9

***Thinking of you, praying for you: Juanita B. Brooks, Hannah Coleman, Joyce Johnson, W.H. Caldwell, Pearl Tills, Collis Belcher, Henry Woods, Dora D. Belcher, Cassie Bell Reese, Robert Carpenter, George Capell, Robert Carpenter, Jimmie L. Lee, Lovie Hicks, Ruth Belcher, the Hall family, Helen Thigpen.

***November Birthdays and Anniversaries: Charlotte Caldwell - Nov. 7

LaRay Williams - Nov. 16

Aubrey R. Williams - Nov. 24

Audrey M. Williams Bennett - Nov. 27

Michael and Evelyn B. Manning - Nov. 2 (Wedding Anniversary)

***110th Church Anniversary of the Rocky Head Missionary Baptist Church, Hwy. 125, Elba, Rev. A.R. Williams, pastor; Rev. Carter, Rev. Caldwell, Rev. Edwards - associate pastors, Nov. 9, 2:30 p.m.

Theme: Upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. Matt. 16:18.

Ministry of Ceremony: Patricia Carpenter

Welcome and Occasion - Sis. Mary A. Hooks; reading - Sis. Ann Moultry; solo - Sis. Stephanie Williams; church history - Sis. Catherine Coker; reading - Sis. Allison Gable; offering - Bro. Freddie Culver, Bro. David Carpenter, Bro. Chris West.

Speaker - Rev. Robert Lewis, pastor of Roxanna Baptist Church, Rutledge, and St. Francis Baptist Church, Greenville.

***14th annual session of Mulberry Assn., Inc. - Mulberry Educational Bldg., Hwy. 166, Elba.

Thursday night - Nov. 6 - 6:30

Friday morning - Nov. 7 - 9:30

Saturday morning - Nov. 8 - 9:30

Theme: "Internal Power for External Witness"

Rev. J.G. Chatman - moderator

Host church - New Mt. Pleasant; host pastor - Rev. J. Grooms

***Youth Need to Know: African American History (November)

***Monthly Motivation: All members are handicapped; they have only two hands.

Enolia P. McMillan, first woman to become executive director of the NAACP.

1945: On this day, Nov. 1, John H. Johnson publishes the first issue of Ebony.

1983: On this day, Nov. 2, President Ronald Reagan signs legislation designating the third Monday in January as Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

1983: On this day, Nov. 3, Jesse Jackson announces his candidacy for the office of president of the United States.

1992: On this day, Nov. 4, Carol Mosley Braun becomes the first African American woman to be elected to the U.S. Senate.

Timeline 1902: The first recording of black music is made by the Divided Quartet, recorded by the Victor Talking Machine Company.

Black History Calendar or African American History Calendar.

For more information call the office of Rev. L. Peter Carter of church office at 897-2246.

Troy was held Sunday, Nov. 2, at 6

at Rocky Head M.B. Church, Elba, Rev. A.R. Williams, pastor. Devotional was by deacons of Rocky Head and Shiloh Baptist churches. The Rocky Head Ensemble rendered music, and Rev. W.L. Peterson, pastor of Greater New Zion Baptist Church, Elba, was speaker.

Ordination prayer for Rev. and Mrs. Carter, Rev. John Lawrence.

Ministers present: Rev. A.R. Williams, Rev. Ronnie Caldwell, Rev. Willie Edwards, Rev. John Lawrence and Rev. W.L. Peterson.

Rev. Carter has been called to pastor Jordan Grove Baptist Church, Seagrift, Ala. (near Dozier).

God bless you, Rev. Carter, and keep preaching God's Word!

LEAN ON ME

Lean on me, Jesus the Master said, I want you to, my child.

Remember, I'll take care of you, Whenever beides.

Believe in me, I'll walk by your side.

Lay your head on my shoulder, I'll be your guide.

Your burden will get heavy, Your hills will be hard to climb, So on this Christian journey Keep Jesus on your mind.

Temptations will come before you, There will be stones you cannot see.

I'm the Way, the Truth and the Life Lean on me.

***Today is a good day - be grateful!

First Baptist Church to celebrate homecoming

First Baptist Church of Elba will host homecoming activities this weekend in conjunction with homecoming festivities at Elba High School.

A chili supper will be served Friday, Nov. 7, at 6 p.m. in the church fellowship hall prior to the Elba - Monroe County football game in Tiger Stadium.

On Saturday, Nov. 8, youth choir alumni from the 1970's era will gather at the church at 3 p.m. for a Youth Choir Reunion.

Robert Holman, who was Minister of Music and Youth at First Baptist Church from 1969-81, will be special guest.

The Youth Choir Reunion group is invited to gather again at First Baptist's Youth House (former pastory) at 607 W. Davis Saturday evening at 7 o'clock for a homecoming party.

On Sunday, Nov. 9, Dr. Charles Graham will be guest preacher during the 10 a.m. worship service.

A covered dish luncheon will be served at 11 a.m. with a special homecoming music service to follow.

For more information call the office of Rev. L. Peter Carter of church office at 897-2246.

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PASTOR'S CORNER

Re. Marvin C. Ennis

Elba United Methodist Church

How to win by losing

The emphasis of our society is on winning. People do not understand what Jesus meant when he spoke about "losing life" in order to save it. This is indeed a paradox; yet it is true.

In fact, Jesus demonstrated this in His own life. He gave His life on the cross. The powers of darkness thought they had won; the victory was short-lived. On the third day Christ arose - He had won by giving His life.

We win by giving of ourselves in service to and for others. Life becomes much more meaningful when we spend it helping other people.

Choose to lose your life in service to God and others and you will find life to be meaningful and enjoyable. Try to hold onto your life and live it selfishly and life becomes like the Dead Sea.

When you walk with the Lord you really do win by losing.

Update on Senior Citizens of Cordelia Street

By: Wanda Sasser

The Senior Citizens of Cordelia Street met Oct. 30 at the HRDC Building on Factory Ave., and reminisced about the good old days and the "Higgenbotham Reunion" which members enacted each year.

The "Reunion" seems to be a thing of the past, due to the shrinking number of our members. Many are ill, and so many demands on the time of the rest of us.

Mrs. Zedie Bouyer is in the Rehabilitation Center. Director Mary Phillips is incapacitated with a broken leg. Members who were there exchanged news, played dominoes and

enjoyed a delicious lunch together. They were: Bonnie Wesley, Frank and Linnie McCollough, Iris McDowell, Allene English, Merle Boling, Cora McBride, Mary Sulley, Corrine Lowery, and Wanda Sasser.

Deadline For Church News is MONDAY PLEASE!!!!!!

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We'll Have Barbecue Sandwiches Soup & Chili
Homemade Desserts

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| <p>IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN.</p> <p>HOUR OF TRUTH - WELB 12:45 - 1:25 p.m. Bill Beck Rev. Jesse Rodgers</p> <p>Noon Devotion WELB Monday thru Friday 12:45 - 1:25 p.m. Bill Beck</p> <p>ALBERTSON BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>BAHNS BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>THE SHEPHERD'S FOLD CHURCH OF GOD Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> | <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Rev. Paul Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. 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Services 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Sun. Evening 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>HERBON BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>INO BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Prayer 7:00 p.m.</p> | <p>JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:15 p.m. Even. Worship 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>KINSTON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIVING WORD PENTECOSTAL CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Wed. Youth Serv. 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW BROCKTON METHODIST CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. 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FFA Chapter Attends Ag Expo



On October 14, 1997, twenty-two members of the Elba FFA chapter along with 9 adults from the community attended the Agricultural Exposition in Moultrie, Georgia. The day began very early. Students set out for Moultrie around 6:00 a.m. and began the four hour ride. Once we arrived in Expo, we split up and walked around to collect brochures and browse through the many exhibits. Some of the companies with exhibits include: John Deere, Chevy Trucks, GMC, New Holland, KMC, Dodge, Auburn University, ABAC, Clemson University, and Progressive Farmer. There were also exhibits for everything from hunting and fishing to cooking and cleaning. Elba FFA members who attended the Expo were: Lee Stricklen, Jeremy Sasser, Brandon Salter, Clay Sautley, Edward Smith, Jake Cowen, Hunter Hays, Britt Grimes, Chris Turner, Mark Wicker, Jimbo Cook, Shanna Tillis, Adam Sautley, Randy Dodd, Todd Simmons, Bucky Carlie, John Bowers, Leigh Kelly, Michelle Daniels, Ben Purvis, and Sterea Levens. Elba FFA would like to thank those adults who made the trip with them: Max and Kathy Bozeman, Wanda Kelley, Lee Boyd, Brian Grimes, Ben Couson, Jimmy Tillis, and Rick Nicholson. FFA members encourage anyone who has a chance to attend the Ag Expo in upcoming years to make every effort to be there.

EHS Holds Homecoming Court Election

by Ayida Cumberland
This year's homecoming court elections began on Tuesday, October 21, 1997. The students in grades 9-11 were given a ballot with each girl's name in their grade on it. Everyone in their grade voted on one girl. The two girls with the highest number of votes were in the runoff. However, the Senior class was given

a ballot that divided the white girls and the black girls. The students were to vote on one girl from both races. The two highest from each section were listed in the runoff of that day. The students then had to vote on one of the girls from each race and the winner from each side was in the final runoff for queen on Wednesday.

The students in grades 9-11 were given a ballot on Wednesday, with the two girls elected by their class and the two girls from the Senior class. They were to vote on one girl for their grade level and one for queen. After all the ballots were collected, Mr. Stokes, Principal, and Mrs. Weeks, Homecoming Chairman, held the answers to every student's question. "Who is the queen and her attendants?"

At the Pep Rally Friday, the answer was revealed. Mr. Stokes finally announced this year's Homecoming court. The Freshman attendant is Miss Valerie Moore, the Sophomore attendant is Miss Stephanie Williams, the Junior attendant is Miss Julie Robinson, the Senior attendant is Ayida Cumberland and finally, this year's Homecoming Queen is Miss Andrea Canley.

EHS HOMECOMING SCHEDULE THURSDAY, Nov. 6

- The student body will meet at 6:15 p.m. in the student parking lot for a spirit walk to the bonfire. Students are asked to bring candles. The bonfire will begin at 6:30 p.m.
- FRIDAY, Nov. 7**
 - EHS Homecoming Court Coronation and pep rally at Tiger Stadium at 10:30 a.m.
 - Pep rally before the homecoming parade at 2:20 p.m. in Miller Memorial Stadium in downtown Elba.
 - Homecoming Parade in downtown Elba beginning at 3:00 p.m.
 - Introduction of EHS Homecoming Court at 7:00 p.m. in Tiger Stadium.
 - All former EHS cheerleaders will be invited to join the varsity cheerleaders on the field between the first and second quarter of the football game and participate in a chant and the EHS Fight Song. An announcement will be made at the game calling participants down on the field.
 - There will be a homecoming dance sponsored by the 1997-98 Elba staff immediately following the game and will last until midnight. All EHS students and alumni are invited to attend.

EHS Senior Class Meets

by Bonnie Vaughan
On Tuesday, October 21 during first period, the Senior Class elected nominees for Homecoming Queen and Senior attendant. We also took up money for the Homecoming float which will be sponsored by the Senior Class. Another topic of discussion was singing at the pep rally. The Seniors will meet at 2:00 before the October 31 pep rally to practice "Friends" and any other song suggested.

Also, it was brought to our attention that the Seniors have extra money left over from the last year's prom. This leftover cash will be used to install a new sound system in the gym. The Seniors were then dismissed.

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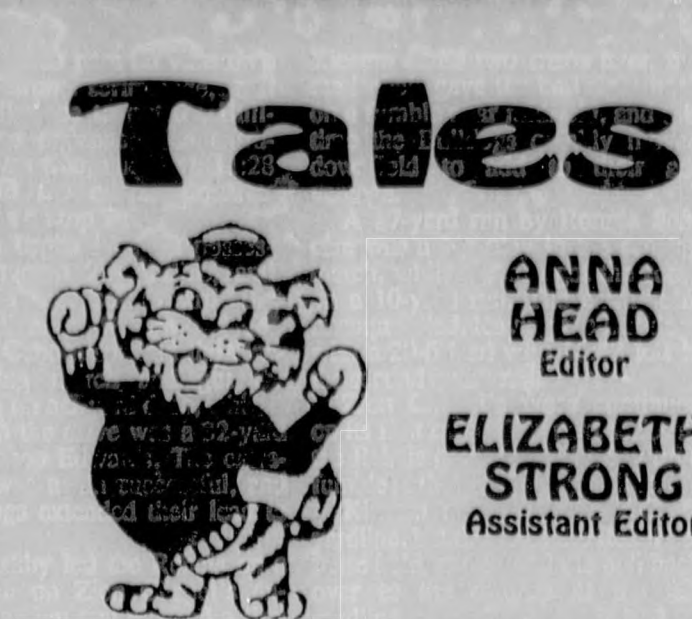
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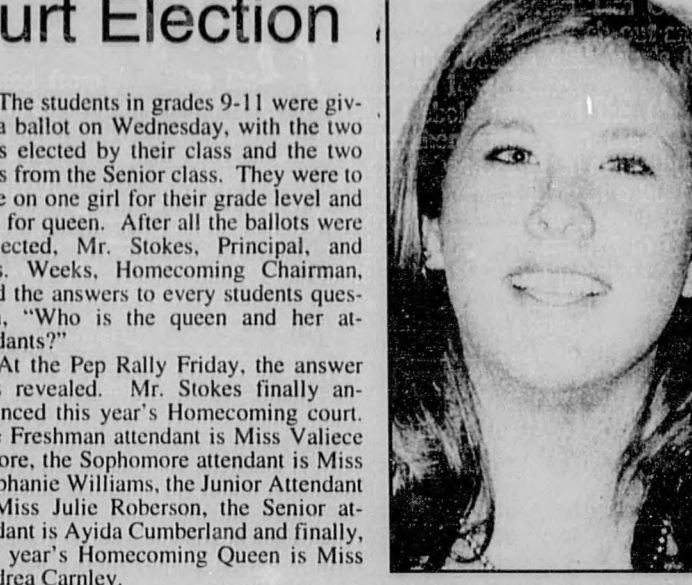
Tiger Tales



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ELIZABETH STRONG
Assistant Editor

GO TIGERS!

VICA Spotlight



by Matthew Farris
This week's VICA Spotlight focuses on Shea Free, a senior at Elba High School and an employee at Nasco Equipment. Nasco specializes in building and repairing forklifts for many businesses throughout the wiregrass. They also weld and repair metal machinery.

Shea performs many secretarial duties at Nasco Equipment. Filing papers, answering phones, running errands, and helping the other secretaries are some of her many jobs. Shea is the daughter of Joe Free and Becky Wyatt and is an honor student at Elba High School. She is actively involved in VICA, Girl Scout Troop 300, St. Rita Club, and is on the journalism staff. Shea also enjoys shopping, talking on the phone, and going out with friends. After graduation, Shea plans to attend a college offering various opportunities in the medical field.

Calendar Sales

The members of Chi Alpha Mu are now participating in a calendar sale. The calendars are small, two-year planners, and are on sale for two dollars each. They come in a variety of colors, styles, and sayings. For more information see any Chi Alpha Mu member.

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Class Act Award

by Marsha Mauldin and Deana Gilford
On Tuesday October 21, 1997, a local celebrity visited Elba High School. The attention however, was not on Bob Howell, a WSFA news anchor, and cameraman Dean Martin, it was on Mrs. Pearl Amison.

Mr. Charles Pearce, superintendent of Elba City Schools, filled out forms sent by WSFA and selected teachers meeting certain, specific criteria. This information was then sent back to WSFA, where a committee made the final decision Mrs. Amison was to receive the Class Act Award.

This award is to honor outstanding teachers who inspire students through unique teaching methods and creativity. Mrs. Amison was as smiling as Mr. Howell and her second block students cheered her on heartily.

During her interview with Mr. Howell, she stated that the students in her classes were never allowed to say "I can't." Instead, they were to say, "I will" or "I'll try." She was very proud of her accomplishment and thanked Mr. Howell and Mr. Martin with two bags of homemade cookies.

The presentation of this award is to report.

air on November 10, on the 6:00 clock report.

Elba Elementary School Menus Nov. 10 - 14, 1997

| Breakfast | Lunch |
|--|---|
| Monday - Cinnamon Toast or Cereal, Juice, Milk | Monday - Chili Dog, Potato Tots, California Vegetables, Half Apple, Milk |
| Tuesday - Holiday | Tuesday - Holiday |
| Wednesday - Pancakes w/syrup or Cereal, Juice, Milk | Wednesday - Vegetable Beef Soup, Cheese Sandwich, Crackers, Half Orange, Milk |
| Thursday - Sausage & Biscuit or Cereal, Jelly, Juice, Milk | Thursday - Pizza, Broccoli w/Cheese, Whole Kernel Corn, Peach Half, Milk |
| Friday - Eggs & Toast or Cereal, Jelly, Juice, Milk | Friday - Cheeseburger, French Fries, Tomato, Lettuce, Dill, Vanilla Pludding w/Wafers, Milk |

1st Graders Learn About Flying

Mrs. Lynn Wilson's first grade students at Elba Elementary School recently enjoyed a fun and educational visit from Mr. William Greg Corder. Mr. Corder is a major in the Air Force Reserve assigned as liaison officer to the Elba Civil Air Patrol.

As a civilian, he flies a Boeing 727 for FedEx. Mr. Corder has accumulated over 7000 hours flying the T-38, T-37, and the C-141 in the Air Force and flying the B-727 for FedEx.

Mr. Corder brought models of these planes for the children to see as well as a video tape showing him flying. At the end of his presentation, Mrs. Sarah Corder helped outfit Mrs. Wilson in flight gear as Mr. Corder explained the function of each uniform component.

Career Day

by Brad Holly
Once again College/Career Day at Elba High School has come and gone. On Wednesday, October 22, many colleges throughout the state of Alabama and surrounding areas gathered at Elba High School, with information concerning that particular college's curriculum and most importantly, information about scholarships.

Many students had the opportunity to talk with the representatives and were also able to fill out an application so he/she could receive further information on the college of his/her choice.

College/Career Day will be back next year and the students of Elba High School are looking forward to meeting and talking with the colleges once more.

4th Grade Science Projects

Mrs. Johnson's and Mrs. Grimes' 4th grade science classes recently completed projects on weather. The students built wind vane, barometers, and anemometers to predict changes in the weather. The students really enjoyed using what they had learned to be "weather persons."



MRS. JOHNSON'S CLASS



MRS. GRIMES' CLASS

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Writers Of The Month

by Wesley Clark
The writers of the month from Zion Chapel Elementary School, for the month of October are Justin Bragg, upper elementary school winner, fourth through fifth grade, and Erica Lewis, lower elementary school winner, kindergarten through third grade.

The two writers wrote descriptive stories. Justin wrote on his favorite place and Erica wrote on her favorite pet.

The writing committee is composed of Mrs. Judy Moody, Mrs. Beverly Lip-ton, Mrs. Susan Howell, Mrs. Lujan Dickey, Mrs. Deborah Herring, and Mr. Bob Andrews. The committee chose each as the best story from its division.



ERICA LEWIS
(Note: Erica had on Halloween Makeup when picture was made)



JUSTIN BRAGG

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Junior Beta Club Meets

by Wesley Clark
A local chapter of the National Junior Beta Club, a leadership-service organization for junior high school students of America, was reestablished on October 15, 1997, at Zion Chapel High School, according to Dr. Linda Ingram.

The National Beta Club with over 6,100 local chapters in the Junior Division and approximately 322,000 members in the schools of 42 states, is now in its sixty-first year.

The Junior Beta Club Division, established in 1961, now has a membership of approximately 179,000 over 3,500 chapters in 40 states, Washington, D.C., Virgin Islands, Guam, Puerto Rico, and Germany.

Objectives of this non-sectarian, leadership-service organization are to encourage effort, to promote character, to stimulate achievement among its members, and to encourage students to continue their education after high school graduation.

Mrs. Debra Henson, teacher of junior high English and social studies, was appointed as faculty sponsor for the local chapter.

Permanent officers for this year are Kacy Clark-president, Jonah Edwards-vice-president, Jonah Edwards-vice-president, Kasey Rhodes-secretary, and Amber Henderson-treasurer.

The local organization is composed of the following students who have fulfilled the requirements necessary for membership in the National Junior Beta Club. The sixth graders are: Macon Hodge, Jonah Edwards, Jason Danley, James Simmons, Alan Harrison, Amber Henderson, Anna Miller, Bobby Pennington, Tabetta Presley, Keri Senn, Brittany Thompson, Cory Williams, Ashley Smith, and Kimberly Rayburn.

The seventh graders are: Kim McClain, Courtney Tracy, Amanda Perry, James Simmons, Jonah Edwards, Russell Faircloth, and Ashley Warnble. The eighth graders are: Matthew Richards, Randall Brunson, Kacy Clark, Kasey Rhodes, Zane Tracy, Josh Carnley, and Jeffrey Boutwell.

COLLEGE NEWS

HOPE Scholarship, tax breaks cut cost of college
The new federal HOPE Scholarship and other features included in the federal Tax Relief Act of 1997 promise to make education at Enterprise State College an even better bargain this spring than it has been in the past, according to a spokesperson for the college.

"Technically not a 'scholarship' but a tax credit, the HOPE legislation allows eligible students pursuing the first two years of postsecondary education to receive a federal tax credit for 100 percent of the first \$1,000 of tuition and fees and 50 percent of the second \$1,000 on their federal income tax."

Students must be enrolled at least half-time (six credit hours) in a degree, certificate, or other program leading to a recognized education credential. The measure takes effect Jan. 1, 1998, and applies to education provided in academic periods beginning after that date.

HOPE does come with a few strings, however. Individual filers who earn more than \$50,000, and joint filers with adjusted gross income exceeding \$100,000 do not qualify. In addition, students who have been convicted of a felony for the possession or distribution of a controlled substance are ineligible. And students who receive other forms of financial aid such as a Pell Grant will have the amount of their eligibility for HOPE reduced by the amount of aid they receive.

Other Tax Relief Act measures include the fact that college juniors, seniors, graduate students, adults returning to college, and students attending less than half time are eligible for a new lifetime learning credit. The credit is worth 20 percent of the first \$5,000 of tuition and fees through 2002 and 20 percent of the first \$10,000 after that.

The same restrictions that apply to HOPE are in effect for this benefit. The credit is available for expenses paid after June 30, 1998.

For additional information about the HOPE federal tax credit and other new education-related tax benefits, contact Enterprise State Junior College Financial Aid Office at 334/393-ESJC, Ext. 214.

Seniors Attend Career Fair

by Laura Williams
The Seniors at Zion Chapel recently attended a career day held at Elba High School. Colleges throughout the state had representatives in the Elba High School Cafeteria.

Some of the colleges represented include the University of Alabama, University of Auburn, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Enterprise State Junior College, and Troy State University.

When the seniors first arrived at the high school, they were led to a mobile Army theater where they were shown a film about the many opportunities one has when he or she joins the Army. Afterwards they were given a questionnaire to fill out and an Army pencil.

In the cafeteria, students split up in order to visit the booths of the colleges and universities they were most interested in attending school. They were able to get information about scholarships and admission, and to get an application for a particular college or university. Students were also able to visit booths set up by the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

Out of the forty-two seniors attending, thirty are members of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). FBLA members used this opportunity to attend a career day because there were more opportunities available for them to hear about possible careers and schools.

Rebel News Briefs

IV TEAM SELECTED
by Tina Johnson
Fifteen girls have been chosen as members of the junior varsity basketball team. An alternate was also selected.

Recently the list of team members was posted and they are: Maloree Bedsole, Dawn Bivin, Kacy Clark, Shambré Calhoun, Denise Cooper, Heather Danley, Megan Legg, Jessica Flowers, Kristie Hall, Brandy McHaffey, Jennifer Myers, Carrie Nguyen, Kelly Sanders, Amelia Wallace, and Rebecca Ward. The alternate is Kacy Bunkin.

Tryouts for the team were held for three days and during these afternoon practices, the candidates for the team learned the fundamentals of basketball.

The girls were given daily points for their ability to dribble, shoot, and pass the basketball.

In order to tryout for the team, the girls must be in the seventh through ninth grades and must have had a physical.

The JV team's coach is Mrs. Lori McCarty.

ZC BAND MEMBERS ATTEND TSH HOMECOMING PARADE
Some members of the Zion Chapel High School Rebel Marching Band attended the Troy State Homecoming Parade Saturday, November 1, 1997.

The band director of the "Sound of the South," Robert Smith, and the assistant director, Ralph Ford, asked the band to perform in the parade. Bands who have distinguished themselves as having high standards of performance are usually asked to attend the parade.

The parade began at 10 o'clock A.M. After the parade, Troy State University and the FBLA sponsor, for a costume parade, Michael Sawyer and Stacy Jinnright were given prizes for best costume. Approximately 20 children got to trick or treat during this FBLA community service project.

Zion Chapel High School REBEL NEWS

Rachel Bryan, Sponsor
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Seniors Attend Career Fair

by Beth Leverett
The ability to breathe is sometimes taken for granted. At Zion Chapel, students believe that Mother Nature can use all the help she can get.

Mrs. Jackie Jinnright, teacher of Life Sciences, has started her own project. She has decorated her room to look like a rainforest. Mrs. Jinnright started this project two years ago and has been steadily adding on to the forest. This is a project that her Environmental Science classes take an active participation in.

Mrs. Jinnright not only has trees in her room but she has vines, a mural of a waterfall, drawings of various animals native to the rainforest, and descriptions of the animals beside them. Now before you say, "Oh boy! A bunch of trees!" think about the real reason she chose to decorate her room in such a manner. She does so in order to emphasize the need for rainforests.

Many people do not take the time to think about the importance of the rainforests to life. Humans and plants need each other to live. Plants take in carbon dioxide and release oxygen as a by-product. Animals and humans in turn take in the oxygen and release carbon dioxide. This is important but this is not the only reason we need the rainforest. Many herbal medicines are made from vegetation found only in the rainforest.

Today the rainforests are being cut down at an alarming rate. Destruction to the rainforests can be compared to a debate. On one side you have the pros and on the other you have the cons. Some of the pros would be the ample amount of lumber, paper products, money, and employment. A few cons would be the slaughter of animals, the extinction of many species of plants and animals, and less vegetation vital for animal and human respiration.

Student Get Shots

by Amanda Ellis
The Coffee County Health Department gave the Tetanus and Diphtheria shots and the proper documentation as prescribed by law. There was not a cost for the shots.

If the parents wanted their child to have the shot they had to fill out a form asking for the student's name, birthdate, social security number, and parents' signature. If the child had a shot in the past ten years they didn't need another one.

If the parents wanted their personal doctor to administer the shot they had to have the proper documentation. The WSFA news reporters go around to different ball games throughout every Friday night, and of these games they choose one football player who, in their opinion, got the best hit of the week. This week they chose Brad for a hit he got on an Antion football player.

Once the game was over, a group of ZC students were able to join Brad in appearing live on the WSFA Ten o'clock report. Brad was asked how it felt to be named the "Ross Player of the Week", and he answered in saying, "It feels pretty good!" This was an exciting event for the students at ZC.

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Seniors Build Globe Theaters

The Class of 1998 is preparing for another test in their graduation quest. Mrs. Sonya Shaw has given the class six pages of patterns and two pages of instructions. The finished product is a Shakespearean globe theater.

The original theater was built in 1599 in the Southwark area in England. The actual dimensions of the Globe were modest in comparison to the large theaters of today. The outside diameter was 86 feet, the height was about 33 feet, and the open yard was about 56 feet across.

There were also many differences in the way that the plays were presented. There were no curtains, the sets were simple, and scenery was not like that of today. Because of these variables, the audience was much more dependant on their imaginations to make the play a success. The theater, then, was a social place, much like a movie theater is today.

The seniors took one look at the project and began to doubt their abilities. Mrs. Shaw, instructor of senior English, was quick to reassure them. She told them that if the theater is correctly and neatly built and if it does not fall apart when she turns it upside down then the student will receive an "A". She also warned the class members that it would take them at least a full day-not to wait to the last minutes. The seniors had two weeks to color, cut out, and assemble their theaters.

A few of the seniors were asked why they thought Mrs. Shaw was assigning this project and the responses were as varied as Shakespeare's characters. Three of the answers were "Torture," "Punishment," and "Cruelty." (This does not sound like the Mrs. Shaw we know!) Some more answers were "Senior-Think-A-Thon," "So we'll know what the stage looked like," "What?", "I have no earthly ideas," "She knows what we do during the day and this is her way of helping our parents out," and "She's tired of us begging to watch School House Rock."

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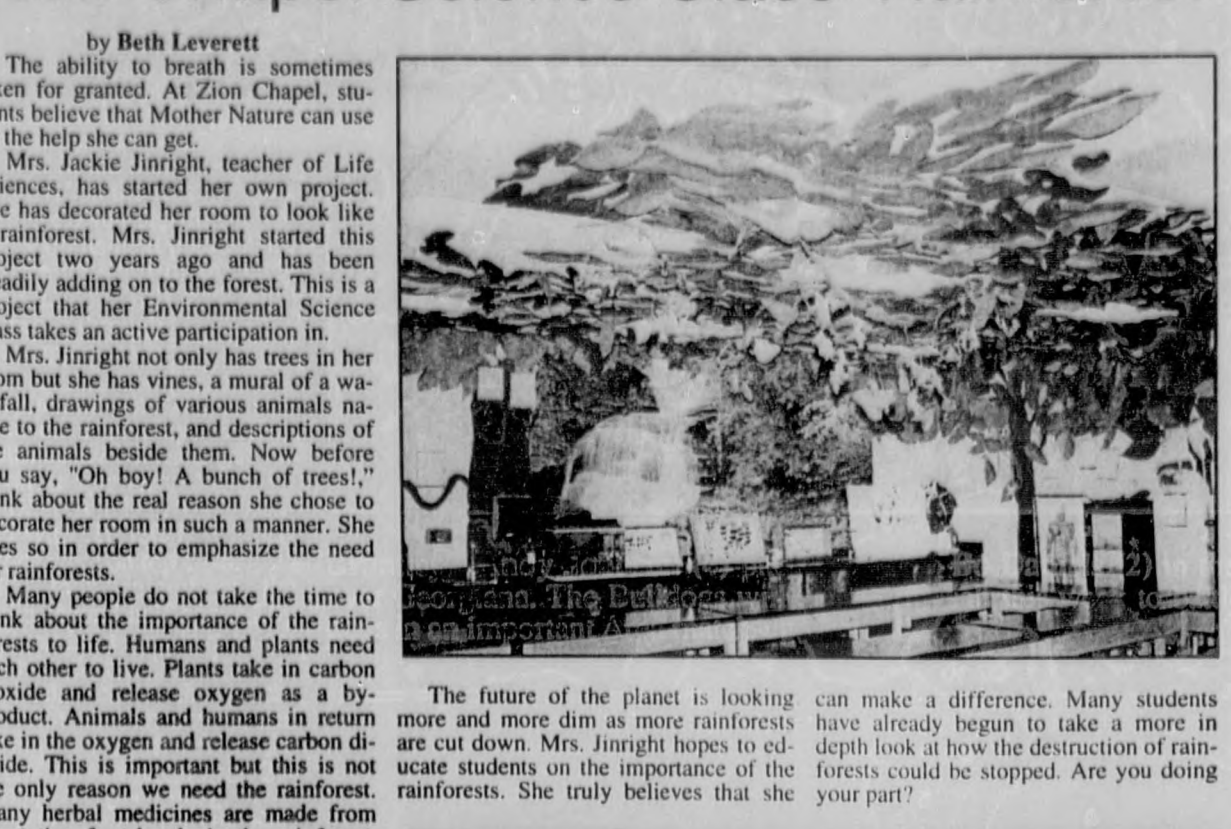
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Zion Chapel Science Class' Rainforest



The future of the planet is looking more and more dim as more rainforests are cut down. Mrs. Jinnright hopes to educate students on the importance of the rainforests. She truly believes that she can make a difference. Many students have already begun to take a deeper look at how the destruction of rainforests could be stopped. Are you doing your part?

Coffee County Schools Menu Nov. 12 - 14, 1997

| BREAKFAST | LUNCH |
|---|--|
| Monday - Holiday for Students - In-service | Monday - Holiday for Students - In-service |
| Tuesday - In-service | Tuesday - Holiday - Veterans Day |
| Wednesday - Holiday - Veterans Day | Wednesday - Chili or Corn Dog, Baked Potato |
| Thursday - Peach Turnovers, Cereal, Juice, Milk | Thursday - Fried Chicken or Baked Ham, Green Beans, Potato Salad, Rolls, Fruit, Milk |
| Friday - Pancake w/Syrup, Ham Slice, Juice or Fruit, Milk | Friday - Steak or Turkey Sandwich, Blackeyed Peas, Broccoli w/Cheese Sauce, Apple Half, Cornbread, Ice Cream Cup, Milk |

WSFA "Ross" Player Of The Week

by Danielle Richards
Zion Chapel football player, Brad Ashby, was chosen as WSFA's "Ross" Player of the Week at the Zion Chapel vs. Antion football game Friday, October 24.

This is an award that is given every Friday night on the WSFA Ten o'clock report by Todd Rosenquist. The WSFA news reporters go around to different ball games throughout every Friday night, and of these games they choose one football player who, in their opinion, got the best hit of the week. This week they chose Brad for a hit he got on an Antion football player.

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AlFA policyholders to receive dividends

Checks totaling \$20 million will be received by almost all Alabama policyholders of Alfa Mutual Insurance Company, according to Goodwin L. Myrick, company president.

The Alfa board of directors approved the second largest mutual company dividend in the company's history at its recent meeting, and checks will be mailed to policyholders next year. It will apply to more than 600,000 Alfa policies and about 350,000 members of Alabama Farmers Federation.

The average homeowner policyholder will receive \$32; automobile policyholder - \$33, and farmowner - \$36, Myrick said.

Most customers have more than one policy and the dividend will be especially significant to persons with multiple policies, he said. An average policyholder with a home and two cars insured with Alfa would get a total check for almost \$100, Myrick explained.

The amount of the dividend check to each policyholder will vary based on 6.77 percent of the amount of annual premium in effect for policyholders of record on Dec. 31, 1997, who have held their policies continuously since Dec. 30, 1994.

"We have had a very successful year and we want to share some of this success with our policyholders," Myrick said.

The last Alfa policyholder dividend was \$18 million declared in 1993.

If policyholders have questions, they should contact their local agent, Myrick said.

SouthTrust declares dividends

The Board of Directors of SouthTrust Corporation declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$2.25 per share. The dividend is payable Jan. 1, 1998, to stockholders of record at the close of business Nov. 21, 1997.

The company's common stock trades on the NASDAQ Stock Market under the symbol SOTR.

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IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TOM MACK BROWN, JR. IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA (ELBA DIVISION) CASE NO. PC-97-50 ORDER SETTING HEARING

The Petition for adoption filed in this cause is set for hearing at 9:00 o'clock A.M. on the 20th day of November, 1997. DONE and ORDERED this 10th day of October, 1997.

WILLIAM O. GAMMILL Probate Judge 10-16;23-30,11-6c

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TOM MACK BROWN, JR. IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA (ELBA DIVISION) CASE NO. PC-97-51 ORDER SETTING HEARING

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WILLIAM O. GAMMILL Probate Judge 10-16;23-30,11-6c

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LENA N. GRIMES, DECEASED PROBATE COURT

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 28th day of October, 1997, by the Hon. William O. Gammill Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Sara G. Moore 11-6,13,20c

November is National Home Care Month

November will be celebrated as National Home Care Month, and CareSouth Home Care Professionals will join thousands of home care providers across the nation in launching a variety of special activities to mark the celebration.

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Home care is a service to recover, living, disabled, or chronically ill individuals who need medical treatment and/or assistance with activities of daily living. It generally is appropriate for a person who requires care that cannot easily or effectively be provided solely by family or friends.

After some guidelines are met, Medicare, Medicaid and many private insurers will pay for home health services.

CareSouth is a local non-profit home health agency, with services ranging from basic assistance with daily living activities to advanced medical treatment.

The local company serves a seven-county area of Barbour, Henry, Dale, Coffee, Houston, Geneva and Covington.

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VS. MICHAEL WAYNE McDANIEL, Defendant, IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

CASE NO. DR 97-47 NOTICE is hereby given that the Plaintiff has filed a Bill of Complaint against you in this Court and you are required to appear and plead to or answer the same by the 22nd day of December, 1997, or thereafter a default judgment may be rendered against you.

This 23rd day of Oct. 1997, Jim Ellis, Circuit Clerk, Coffee County, Alabama 10-30;11-6,13,20p

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TOM MACK BROWN, JR. IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA (ELBA DIVISION) CASE NO. PC-97-50 ORDER SETTING HEARING

The Petition for adoption filed in this cause is set for hearing at 9:00 o'clock A.M. on the 20th day of November, 1997. DONE and ORDERED this 10th day of October, 1997.

WILLIAM O. GAMMILL Probate Judge 10-16;23-30,11-6c

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Susan Taylor - C.C. Extension Agent

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Throughout the long school year and even during summer, parents face the "lunch box dilemma." It is an ongoing challenge - how to keep children's lunches nutritious, appealing and safe.

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Alternatively, reusable freezer packs can be packed with the lunch. Be sure to remind your child that the packs must come home each day. Good drink selections include water and fruit juices. Milk is a great beverage. It becomes difficult to keep it cold. Often children prefer to have their milk at home where it can be kept well chilled.

Of course, sandwiches make a perfect meal. Try offering your child a variety of breads which may include whole wheat breads, Pita and bagels.

Crackers are a perfect alternative to bread as are bread sticks, matzah, rolls, etc. For young children sandwiches can be cut into fun shapes with cookie cutters. Keep lunch appealing and kids will remain interested.

Fresh fruits help to add nutrients and fiber to lunch. In addition to whole fruits, try to cut cubes or slices of fruit. By selecting fruit in season you can depend on the best taste and quality. Fruit skewers can be wrapped in foil to stay neat. Fruits can be mixed into yogurt or cottage cheese. Unsweetened applesauce travels well.

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justing to a new place, or to a busy schedule. Remember that lunch has to satisfy your child for a few hours. Be creative - and once again - don't forget to include your child in the planning.

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4-H'ERS FROM COFFEE COUNTY who recently participated in the Teens' Sew and Sew Fashion Show at the Alabama National Fair in Montgomery are (l-r): Sara Maddox - Zion Chapel; Rachel Peterson and Ashley Tyner, both from Enterprise. Each placed in their division and Sara was overall winner, bringing home a sewing machine.



THESE 4-H OFFICERS, elected by their classmates to serve for the 97-98 school year are (l-r): T.J. Winters - President; Michael Sneed - Vice President; Hayden Osburn - Secretary; Megan Barnett - Reporter; (back row - l-r): Courtney Smart - Devotional Leader; LeAnna Hammond and Bama Gatlin - song leaders. Teacher-leader is Mrs. Joann Jones from Zion Chapel.



SHOWN IN HIS COTTON PATCH just one day before harvest is James Stephens Jr. of Elba. Stephens had some of the earliest planted cotton in Alabama this year (April 3), and for the season has had an excellent yield. The cool weather of April allowed down growth, but the months of May, June and July brought ideal cotton-growing conditions, giving promise to record-breaking yields. Then the August drought brought the county's cotton and peanut yields down. Stephens fared well with his early planted cotton, however, receiving a yield of over 900 pounds of lint cotton per acre. The cotton shown was Delta-Pine 30.

(Alabama Cooperative Extension System)

Angela Hughes - C.C. Extension Agent

Coffee County 4-H

Coffee County 4-H is getting off to a good start this year. By the end of October there will be 37 organized clubs throughout the county. Most of these are 4th, 5th and 6th grades. Coppinville is the only school where a 7th grade club is meeting. There are many individual members from around the county.

We will have approximately 1,000 youth enrolled. Each of these will choose at least one project to work on during the year. Projects in 4-H range from public speaking to pet care, from wood science to clothing and textiles, from photography to gardening, and many others.

There are 34 different projects to choose from in Coffee County 4-H. Four-H is the Extension youth development education program of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System, which is in partnership with the United States Dept. of Agriculture (USDA).

Four-H is the largest youth organization in the world. It helps youth develop their own talents, interests, and skills. Confidence gained through 4-H experiences may also help in school work and community work.

Four-H stands for Head, Heart, Hands and Health. The motto is "To make the best better." Colors are green and white, ages of participants

are 9-19.

Competition is a part of 4-H for those who are interested. Coffee County has had many youths to participate in various competitions on the district, state and even at the national levels. Later this month of May, youth will be competing at the national livestock judging competition.

They are: LeAnna Griffin, Rachel Carroll, Matt Windham, and Alex Schieffer - all from New Brockton.

Then in January four others will be going to Denver for the national meat judging competition. These are: Justin Campbell, Paul McMonagle, Crystal Burrows, and Justin Hughes - all from New Brockton. Rachel Carroll will be attending National Congress in Memphis in November.

Agents in charge of 4-H in Coffee County are Stan Windham (judging team), Richard Petcher (Coppinville, Wildlife and Forestry), and Angela Hughes (overall 4-H program).

The Extension office is located in the Farm Center complex in New Brockton, office hours 8 - 4:30, phone 894-5596.

If you have any questions concerning the 4-H program, feel free to call or stop by.

Kinston raps Rebels 40-22

By Cade Shiver, Sports Writer

The Kinston Bulldogs chalked up victory number one Friday night in a homecoming upset over the Zion Chapel Rebels.

For the second consecutive week the Rebels covered over 250 yards on offense, but again it was all in vain, as they lost six fumbles, three of which occurred inside the Zion Chapel 30-yardline.

The Bulldogs took advantage of the turnovers to rack up the points, and behind the running of Jeremy Osborn and Ronnie Sansom, celebrated at the final horn with the 40-22 win.

Things began in blazing fashion for the Rebels, as Junior Jones took the opening kickoff and weaved his way 85 yards for the first TD of the night.

The Bulldogs responded, however, and put the ball in play at the Zion Chapel 36-yardline following a 50-yard kick return by Jeremy Osborn. Ronnie Sansom scored in a

Bishop Edwards pass on Kinston's first play from scrimmage, and went the distance to put the Bulldogs in the endzone. The extra-point try was true, and with 11:28 still left in the opening quarter Kinston was on top 7-6.

Kinston began its next possession at its own 26-yardline, and once again headed toward the Rebel goalline.

Jeremy Osborn sparked the nine-play scoring march and got the touchdown on a 5-yard dash, while a key play in the drive was a 32-yard run by Bishop Edwards. The extra-point try was again successful, and the Bulldogs extended their lead to 14-6.

Brad Ashby led the Rebels on a long march on Zion Chapel's ensuing possession that reached a first down at the Kinston 38-yardline, but a holding penalty negated a 30-yard pass completion, and the Rebels turned the ball over on downs at the Bulldog 33.

Charlie Maddox picked off a

Kinston aerial two snaps later, but the Rebels gave the ball right back on a fumble near midfield, and this time the Bulldogs quickly moved downfield to add to their advantage.

A 17-yard run by Ronnie Sansom was a big play in the scoring march, while Osborn got the score on a 10-yard run. The extra-point attempt failed, leaving the Bulldogs with a 20-6 lead with 10:42 left in the second quarter.

Zion Chapel's woes continued on its first snap of its next series as the Rebels gave the ball away on a fumble at their own 27-yardline.

Kinston moved to the Z.C. 4-yardline, but this time the Rebel defense held, and turned the ball back over to the offense at the 20-yardline.

Zion Chapel was ready to get back in the hunt for county bragging rights and responded by marching 80 yards in seven plays to light up the scoreboard.

Junior Jones got the call on all seven plays, ripped off runs of 27 and 37 yards, and scored the touchdown on a 10-yard jaunt. Jones also ran in for the two-point conversion, and with 5:47 left in the half had cut the Bulldog bulge to 20-14.

The Rebels got a break on Kinston's next series when Tim Cape picked off a Bulldog pitch-out and returned the bubble nine yards to the Kinston 16-yardline.

The Rebels returned the favor with another fumble on the very next snap, however, and at the half the Bulldogs went in with a 20-14 lead over their arch-rivals.

Kinston was determined to add to its lead on its first possession of the second half, and moved 40 yards in only five plays to reach the Rebel 15-yardline. The Zion Chapel defense refused to let the Bulldogs reach the endzone, and the Rebel offense took over on downs at their own 15.

Zion Chapel played giveaway on this possession also, however, and Kinston took advantage of the Rebel fumble to increase its lead.

Ronnie Sansom got the touchdown on a 25-yard scamper, and the two-point try was successful, as the Bulldogs' lead grew to 28-14 with 7:47 left in the third quarter.

Kinston began a series at its own 30-yardline late in the third quarter, and put the win in the bag by marching 70 yards for another Bulldog touchdown.

Matt Winstead pulled in a big 28-yard pass on second down to move the Bulldogs to the Zion Chapel 8-yardline, but several penalties slowed the march, and knocked Kinston back to the Rebel 30. The Bulldogs faced a fourth and goal from the 30, but struck paydirt as Winstead again sneaked out from his wingback spot and batted in a Kinston toss for a touchdown. Zion Chapel's extra-point try failed, but with 9:19 left in the third quarter, the Bulldogs' lead grew to 34-22 and held on for the



ZION CHAPEL HOME-COMING COURT...

The Zion Chapel Rebels celebrated homecoming last week, and reigning over the festivities were (l-r) Rebecca Ward-Freshman, Alisha Walker-Junior, Ashley Nelson-Queen, Teresa Hall-Senior and Emily Mitchell-Sophomore.



left in the game Kinston was on its way with a 34-14 lead.

Kinston was stopped at the Zion Chapel 5-yardline after yet another Rebel turnover, and this time the Rebel offense found the handle on the ball and quickly marched the length of the field to get back on the scoreboard.

Marcus Taylor scored the touchdown on a 77-yard dash on a fourth down and four, and Eric Shaddix kicked on the two-point, as the Rebels closed to within 34-22 with 2:52 left in the game.

The Rebels got a break of their own on Kinston's next possession, and brought the large homecoming crowd to its feet, as they rode the legs of Shaddix and Ashby to reach a first down at the Kinston 8-yardline.

The Rebels' hopes for a miracle finish didn't last long, however, as Matt Winstead stepped in front of a Rebel pass and sprinted 92 yards for the final touchdown of the evening. The extra-point try failed, but with 1:12 left it made no difference as the Bulldogs were the ones doing the celebrating after claiming the 40-22 win over the Rebels.

Jeremy Osborn gained 129 yards on 15 carries to lead Kinston, while Ronnie Sansom added 102 yards on 12 carries, and also caught two passes for 52 yards.

Junior Jones led the Rebels with 126 yards on 12 carries and Eric Shaddix added 101 yards on 13 totes.



Zion Chapel's Junior Jones (7) heads outside for a big gain in the Rebels' 40-22 loss to Kinston. The Rebels will travel to New Brockton this week in their season finale.



Kinston's Jeremy Osborn (30) looks for room to roam. Osborn gained 129 yards to lead the Bulldogs to a 40-22 win over Zion Chapel in their first win of the season.

Regular season draws to close

Kinston needs win to make state grid playoffs

High school football will close out its regular season this week, with area fans getting a chance to view an extra night of action.

The New Brockton-Zion Chapel football game, to be played in New Brockton, will be Kinston's last game of the season. The annual cross-county clash between the Gamecocks and Rebels is always one of the season's best, and this year all area fans will get the chance to see the teams in action.

Following is a preview of this week's area football schedule:

Zion Chapel at New Brockton
Two teams looking to close out the season on a winning note and end the season with a winning record will tangle tonight (Thursday) in New Brockton, when the (4-4) Zion Chapel Rebels battle the (5-4) New Brockton Gamecocks.

Zion Chapel dropped its second straight game last week in a 40-22 loss to arch-rival Kinston, and in the two losses the Rebels have self-destructed with a total of 12 fumbles, 10 of which were lost.

New Brockton saw its playoff hopes dashed in a 31-0 loss last week to Luverne, but can salvage a winning season the county title with a win over their rivals from Zion Chapel.

While this game appears to be a mis-match, it is a rivalry between the county's oldest small school football rivals, and could be one to watch for all area fans!

Brantley at J.U. Blacksher
The (3-4) Brantley Bulldogs will be looking to close out the season with two straight wins Friday night when they hit the road to meet the (2-7) J.U. Blacksher Bulldogs, in Uriah.

Brantley snapped a two-game losing streak last week with an impressive 34-22 win over Georgiana, and will be looking to gain momentum before the start of the 1A playoffs next weekend.

J.U. Blacksher has struggled throughout the season, but has been a thorn in the Bulldogs' side for

years, and will enter the game looking to defeat their challengers from Newshaw County.

If Brantley shows up ready to play this one could be an easy win. However, if the Bulldogs aren't ready to play, it could be another real battle.

Kinston at Houston Academy
The (1-8) Kinston Bulldogs will

travel to Dothan Friday night to battle the (3-5) Houston Academy Raiders in a "winner take all" clash, as far as the playoff picture is concerned.

The Bulldogs kept their playoff hopes alive last week and moved to 1-1 in the area with a 40-22 win over Zion Chapel, and can wrap-up the runner-up spot in the Class 1A Area 4 standings with a win over the Raiders.

The Raiders saw their hopes of winning the area and last week in 21-19 setback to Arion, and now must get past the Bulldogs to even make the post-season party.

Kinston is a much better team that its record would indicate, and the Bulldogs can wipe out a season filled with disappointment with a win. It should be a real battle!



1997 KINSTON HIGH SCHOOL LADY BULLDOGS...have enjoyed another banner season and will travel to Birmingham this week to compete in the Alabama High School Volleyball State Tournament, at the Birmingham-Jefferson County Civic Center. Team members pictured above are (kneeling, left to right) Sabrina Piland, Suzanne Rhoades, Kristen Bowdoin, Tiffany Rhoades, Allie Sumblin, Hope Bedsole, Amy Jones, Lana Odum and Kaci Fleming. Standing are (left to right) Head Coach Amelia Rhoades and assistant coach Janie Wiggins.

Kinston Lady Bulldogs ready for run at state volleyball title

The Kinston High School Lady Bulldog volleyball team placed second in last weekend's Class 1A, Region A Volleyball Tournament, held at Bayside Academy, in Mobile, and in doing so earned the right to compete in this week's Alabama High School Volleyball State Tournament, to be held at the Birmingham-Jefferson County Civic Center, in Birmingham.

The Lady Bulldogs, the state's top-ranked 1A team throughout the season, will be one of eight teams battling for the Class 1A state title, and will swing into action today (Thursday) at 2:30 PM on Court Four. Other Kinston matches set for Thursday will begin at 4:00 and 6:00. The Lady Bulldogs will compete in Pool Two, and if they finish in the Top 4 in Pool play, will advance to action on Friday at Court Number One at UAB. The state finals are set for Saturday morning at 9:00 AM at the Main Court at the Civic Center.

Dogs pound Panthers 34-22

By Greg Branson, Sports Writer

The Brantley Bulldogs ran their season record to 5-4 Friday night with a 34-22 victory over the Georgiana Panthers, in Brantley.

The Bulldogs opened up a 27-6 lead in the second half, then held off a furious fourth quarter rally to claim the win and drop the Panthers' record to 3-5.

The Panthers took the game's opening kickoff and drove 75 yards

in 16 plays to score the game's first points. The score came on a 3-yard run up the middle, but the extra-point failed, and with 4:12 left in the opening stanza Georgiana was on top 6-0.

The Bulldogs' first touchdown was set up by a fumble recovery by Lucius Hill at the Georgiana 43-yardline. It took the Bulldogs 11 plays to cover the 43 yards, with Bo Daniels getting the touchdown on a one-yard plunge. Gregory

Daniels booted the extra-point, and with 7:31 left in the second quarter Brantley had taken the lead at 7-6.

Georgiana drove deep into Brantley territory on its next possession, only to come up short of the endzone when Lucius Hill and Alan Compton broke through to sack LaKeith Pennington on a key fourth down play.

Brantley's second score of the night came on a 10-play, 49-yard march, with Andy Johnson getting the TD on a quarterback sneak. Gregory Daniels added the extra-point, and with 1:18 left in the half the Bulldogs were on top 14-6.

Brantley took control of the game as the second half opened by driving 63 yards in six plays to get back in the Panther endzone!

Bo Daniels scored the touchdown on a 7-yard toss sweep, and Gregory Daniels again added the p.a.t., as Brantley moved ahead 21-6 with 9:40 left in the stanza.

Andy Johnson set up the next Brantley score when he intercepted a Panther pass at the Bulldogs' 41-yardline.

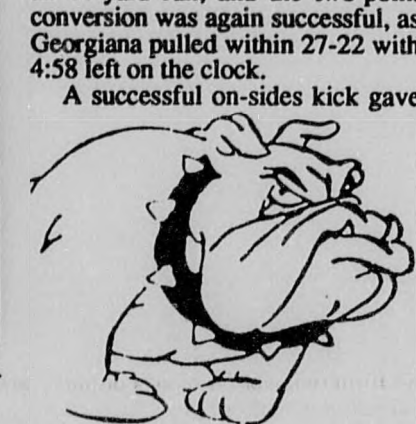
Bo Daniels scored the Bulldog touchdown on the eighth play of the drive on a 17-yard run, and although the extra-point try failed, Brantley seemed to be in complete control with a 27-6 lead with 4:40 left in the third quarter.

Georgiana took the ensuing kick and put together its second long scoring drive of the night. The 82-yard drive needed 13 plays and ended when LaKeith Pennington raced over from 4 yards out. The two-point try was successful, and with 10:02 left in the game Brantley's lead was cut to 27-14.

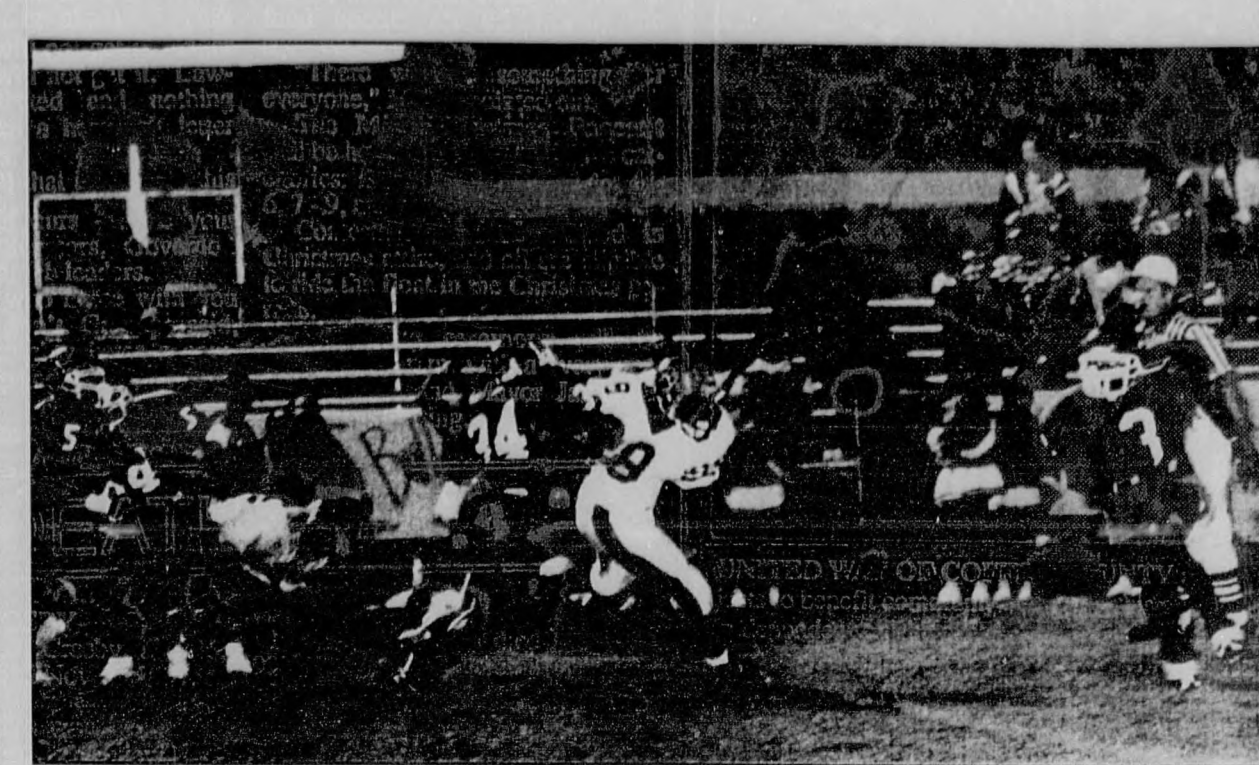
When the Panthers got the ball back, they quickly drove 79 yards in only seven plays to get right back into the endzone.

Wilbert Gandy got the score on an 11-yard run, and the two-point conversion was again successful, as Georgiana pulled even 27-22 with 4:58 left on the clock.

A successful on-sides kick gave



Brantley's Andy Johnson (4) pitches back to Bo Daniels (2) in the Bulldogs' big 34-22 win over Georgiana. The Bulldogs will travel to Uriah this week to battle the J.U. Blacksher Bulldogs in an important Area match-up.



Brantley's Andre Mitchell (3) looks outside and sees nothing but green grass in the Bulldogs' win over Georgiana. The Bulldogs improved their record to 5-4 with the win over the 2A Panthers.

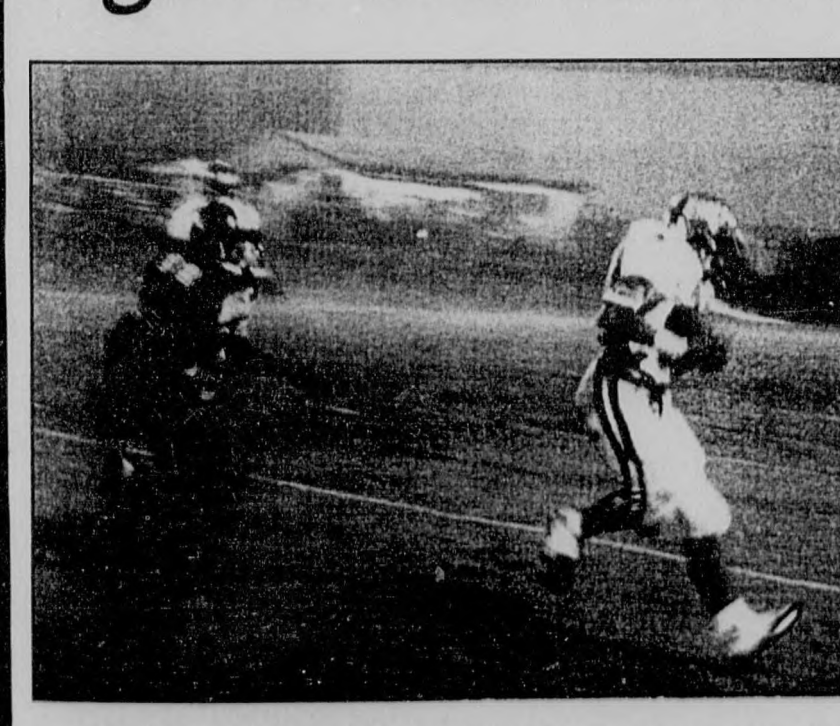
The Panthers hopes of a comeback win, but the Bulldog defense held and handed the ball over to the Brantley offense at the Panther 47-yardline.

Bo Daniels then put the game away as he scampered 36 yards for a score. Daniels' fourth TD of the night came on the third play of the series, and Gregory Daniels added his fourth extra-point, to put the win on ice as Brantley moved ahead 34-22 and held on for the win.

STATISTICS

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| 1st Downs | 12 | 18 |
| Rushes-Yds. | 38-241 | 46-260 |
| Passing Yds. | 21 | 91 |
| Total Offense | 26-0 | 351 |
| Penalties-Yds. | 8-66 | 5-16-1 |
| Fumbles Lost | 0 | 1 |
| Punts-Ave. | 2-36 | 0-0 |

Tigers blank New Brockton 31-0



New Brockton's Jason McKenzie (22) closes in to make the stop on a Luverne receiver in last week's loss to the Tigers. The Gamecocks will host Zion Chapel Thursday night.



A New Brockton kick returner heads upfield during action Friday night in the Gamecocks' 31-0 loss to Luverne.

Statistics By Andrae Medley

The New Brockton Gamecocks saw their playoff hopes come to an abrupt end Friday night as the highly-touted Luverne Tigers came to town and posted a solid 31-0 win over the Gamecocks.

The loss left New Brockton with a 5-4 record, 1-2 in Class 2A, Area 4 action, while Luverne improved to 7-2 with the win and moved to 2-0 in Area 4 play.

Luverne wasted the opening kick and received no time taking charge as on the Tigers' first play from scrimmage Keon Carter hooked up with Mel Willis on a 55-yard touchdown pass. Shannon

Saunders booted the extra-point, and with less than a minute gone in the game Luverne was on top 7-0.

New Brockton failed to move the chains on its first possession, but got the ball right back on a pass interception by LaRoyce Haynes, and this time began to move toward the Tiger goalline.

A 40-yard pass completion by Jason Allums was a key play in the drive, but the Gamecocks ran out of downs after crossing midfield, and turned the ball over on downs at the Luverne 35-yardline.

The Gamecock defense came up with another big play late in the opening stanza when it scooped up a Tiger fumble at the New Brockton 20-yardline and returned it to the Luverne 40. The Gamecocks moved to one first down, but then bogged down, and again turned the ball over on downs.

Luverne began its ensuing series at its own 25-yardline and drove 75 yards in seven running plays to extend its lead.

Rodney Lowery gained 32 yards on two carries during the scoring drive, while Pat Campbell added 35 yards on two carries and got the score on a 25-yard dash. Samples drilled the extra-point, and with 7:19 left in the half Luverne's lead was up to 14-0.

Luverne got the ball back late in the half on a Gamecock punt, and this time marched deep into New Brockton territory behind the running and pass receiving of Rodney Lowery. The drive bogged down after a major distance penalty against a Tiger, but Luverne managed to salvage three points when Shannon Samples booted a 37-yard field-

goal with only 34 left in the half, and went in at intermission with a 17-0 advantage.

Luverne intercepted a Gamecock pass on the fourth play of the third quarter and drove 45 yards in six plays to get back in the endzone.

Keon Carter had a 10-yard run and hit Fernando Pickett for a 10-yard gain to spark the short scoring march, while Rodney Lowery notched the touchdown on a 7-yard run. Samples hit the extra-point try, and Luverne was in command with a 24-0 lead with 6:27 left in the third quarter.

The Tigers got the ball back on a New Brockton punt midway through the stanza, and marched 60 yards in seven plays to score the final points of the evening. The score came on a 45-yard run by Rodney Lowery, and Samples closed out the scoring with his fourth extra-point, as Luverne's lead went to 31-0 with 1:07 still left in the third quarter.

Kellen Cole came in at quarterback for the Gamecocks on their next possession, and moved his team 30 yards in six plays as the sophomore signal-caller hit on three of four passes for 28 yards.

The drive ground to a halt after crossing midfield, however, and the Gamecocks never threatened again as Luverne held on for the 31-0 win in the important Area 4 clash.

Lee Flowers gained 24 yards on 11 carries to lead New Brockton on the ground, while Jason Allums hit on 4 of 10 passes for 61 yards, and Kellen Cole hit on 4 of 7 passes for 37 yards.

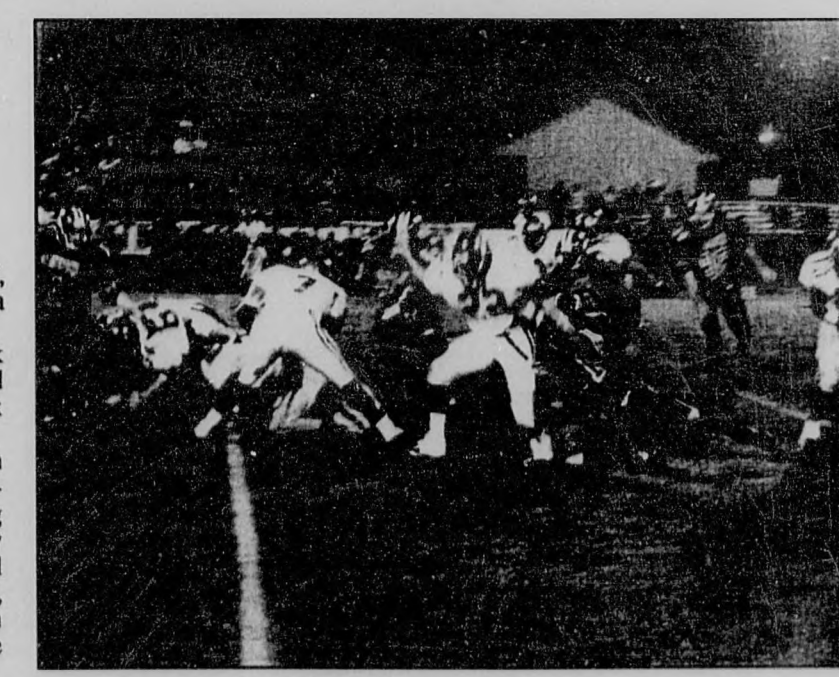
Rodney Lowery gained 146 yards on 15 carries to lead Luverne.

STATISTICS

| | NR | L |
|---------------|--------|-------|
| 1st Downs | 6 | 17 |
| Rushing Yds. | 42 | 227 |
| Passing Yds. | 98 | 75 |
| Total Offense | 140 | 302 |
| Penalties | 8-17-2 | 3-8-1 |
| Fumbles Lost | 1 | 1 |

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GRADE 7
Benjamin (Bart) Barnes, Jesse Robert Holloway, Charles Brandon Petty, Carla Ann Roberts, Deann Smith

GRADE 8
Amanda Michelle Adkins, George Austin Boothe, Jack Rushing Brunson, Chelsea Grace Cooper, Katie Elizabeth Crowe, Brittany Danielle Daniels, Frances Fleming, English, Katherine Michelle Grimes, Ashley Lynn Harrelson, Jonathan David Woodworth, Reese Grantham, Cobie Tarrill Gray, Charles Bradford Holley, Donna Paige Hudson, William Justin Maddox, Jennifer Lynn Mills, Daniel Matthew Murdock, Jessica Smith, Brandon Wade, Aubrey La-neta Williams, Bobbie Jo York

GRADE 9
Amanda Renee Beerenstrauch, Candace Chawneka Coleman, Bethany Lynn Dye, Cammie Renee Kelley, Amy Marie Kirkland, Keitha Michelle Lewis, Rosalinda Amy McKinnon, Valence Lashay Moore, Tamisia Tyson

GRADE 10
Natasha Lynn Bannin, Hannah Vaughn Boyd, Melissa Brook Grantham, Kylie Raeann McCollough, Monique Jeanel Ordon, Karen Spruill, Leslie Adonna Stinson, Shanna Michelle Tillis

GRADE 11
John Lanco Boutwell, Lee Alan English, Mica Devon Fanning, Deana N. Farris, Casey Marie Henderson, Diana Lynn Jackson, Anna Clair Maddox, Julie Elizabeth Roberson, Shannille Lorraine Rowe, Elizabeth Gayle Stephens, Daniel Windsor Ward

GRADE 12
Stephen Adcock, Kristen Jennifer Dubisar, Larry Matthew Farris, Anna Ruth Head, Denise Leigh Kelly, Misty Michelle Kelley, Shannon Delisa Lott, Brandie Nicole Mann, Marsha Ivy Mauldin, Cintia Macedo Nunes, Latisha Denise Reed, Walt Mace Russell, Elizabeth Strong

A & B

GRADE 7
William Christoph Brunson, Joseph Kyle English, Sheena Flowers, Heather Nichole Hays, Shawna Le-dian Hill, Deva Diane Kilcrease, Blake Dudley Lambert, Russell (Trey) Lindsey III, Lagina Taska Mack, Freddy M. Mallory Jr., Stephen Blaine Pope, Jennifer Olene Smith, Kristy Wynell Ward, Danae Ann Ware, Samantha Christi Williams

GRADE 8
Charly Lynn Barlow, Rachel Ellen Bludworth, Brenton Lee Bowers, Tammy Baranda Briti, Brandy Nicole Davis, Christopher Ray Eiland, Demarius Monte Howe, Thomas Evan Maddox, Kishonda Lynette McGill, James Lowayne Sparks, Amanda Lynn Spicer, Shannon Lee Winters

GRADE 9
Job Lee Bowers, Chanahay Renee Carpenter, Jimbo Drexel Cook, Oneida Lashay Davis, Jerry Joshua Dubose, Omar Fleming, Kenneth Neil Grantham, Carlos Lashay Hollo-way, Heather Michelle Hudson, Summer Lary, Cassandra Nicole Lindsey, Leanne Maloria, Cynthia Renee Mitchell, Laciandra Parrish, Brandon Ray Salter, Christopher Alan Sasser, Jeremy Paul Sasser, James Blake Streaman

GRADE 10
Emilee Benbow, Gregory Paul Bowers, Linda Gideon, Thomas Aaron Holland, Brandy Mills, Brandy Gail Phillips, Ben Mitchell Purvis, Dustin Lee Stinson, Kendra Marshale Vaughn, Kimberly Ward, Cassius James Wilson

GRADE 11
Angie Elizabeth Crocker, Laura De-laine Crowe, Alisha Lee Culliver, Ayetisha Patricia Daniels, Glenn Alan Davis, Kevin Gerard Dodd, Derrick DeWayne Duncan, Michael Urale Goodwin, Reese Grantham, Cobie Tarrill Gray, Charles Bradford Holley, Donna Paige Hudson, William Justin Maddox, Jennifer Lynn Mills, Daniel Matthew Murdock, Jessica Smith, Brandon Wade, Aubrey La-neta Williams, Bobbie Jo York

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Luke Bludworth, Scotty Bradshaw, Andrea Elaine Carney, Jacob "Jake" Thomas Cowen, Cassie Crittenden, Ayetisha Connel Cumberland, Lashay Steven Daniels, Andrew Lee Daugherty, Ronald Herold Davis II, Heather Beth Dubose, Brandie Nicole Siler, Katherine Lashay Reed, Gayla Christine Long, Chad Daniel Mashburn, Lisa Ann Owens, Marcus Bernard Parker, Mark Kennel Reed, Jason Lamar Sasser, Denarcus Le-dell Siler, Sha-kira Simone Stephens, Tamicka Tanks, Bonnie Lynn Vaughn, Melissa Dawn Welch

NEWS AMONG OUR SERVICE FOLKS

DEBORAH D. THEWS

Navy Seaman Apprentice Deborah D. Thews, a 1996 graduate of New Brockton High School, recently completed a seven-day port visit to Haifa, Israel, while assigned to the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy, currently on a six-month deployment in the Mediterranean Sea and Persian Gulf.

During the port visit, Thews and fellow crew members hosted more than 1600 visitors and completed 11 community relations projects including painting, landscaping an orphanage and the Sacred Heart Convent for Disabled Children, where the carrier's Gospel Choir performed.

Thews joined the Navy in August 1996.

ROBERT FLEMING
Navy Seaman Recruit Robert Fleming, son of Dorena and Robert Fleming Sr. of Elba, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Fleming completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on natural customs, first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis is also placed on physical fitness. Fleming and other recruits also received instruction on the Navy's core values - honor, courage and commitment - and how to apply them in their military performance and personal conduct.

He is a 1997 graduate of New Brockton High School.

ESJC NOTES

Colleges change to semester system

Enterprise State Junior College, along with the other two-year colleges in the state will be changing to the semester system in the fall of 1998. This change for two-year colleges comes as a result of action by the Alabama State Board of Education.

The semester format will allow students to easily transfer credit earned at ESJC to many four-year colleges and universities, including the University of Alabama and Auburn University. Current ESJC students (and those new students who will enroll winter, spring, and summer) will work closely with their academic advisors to make the transition a smooth one. Students are being encouraged to take course sequences prior to the change-over if at all possible.

College passes third year of excellent audits
Enterprise State Junior College has received the third consecutive perfect audit under the tenure of President Dr. Stafford L. Thompson and Interim Business Manager Mrs. Patsy B. Lunsford.

Mrs. Lunsford was appointed Interim Business Manager on Sept. 1, 1994; the college has received "no findings or recommendations" status with audits for 1993-94, 1994-95, and 1995-96.

Wiregrass pottery master holds special show
Enterprise State Junior College will host a special show by Dothan pottery master David L. Plunkett Nov. 2 - Dec. 5 in the Conner Gallery located inside Talmadge Hall. The public is invited to attend.

Plunkett began his experience with pottery in 1990 when he took a class in handbuilt pottery. He is self-taught on the wheel and now makes and builds and wheel-thrown pottery. He has developed his own glaze recipes and has his studio at his home. Plunkett also built his own Raku kiln for special firing in that beautiful technique.

The artist is originally from Ithaca, N.Y.; however, he and his wife Mary have lived in Dothan for 22 years. He teaches pottery classes at ESJC and has a course on coil pottery slated for winter quarter.

For more information about the exhibit, call Ms. Faye Earnest at 334/393-ESJC, Ext. 255. For more information about the pottery courses, call 334/393-ESJC, Ext. 234.

Stan Windham - County Extension Agent

Cotton seed is rich economical cow feed

With the increase in cotton production around the Wiregrass and Coffee County, and with oats on short supply and corn prices up, more people than ever are interested in feeding whole cotton seed.

There is a lot of concern from time to time that cows will founder on whole cotton seed, or that a bull will be sterilized if fed whole cotton seed, as well as other concerns.

Whole cotton seed has an extremely high fat content. The energy in it runs around 98 percent, which is about as high as any feed I know. The protein runs about 25 percent.

Beef cattle of the high fat content, theoretically, cattle should almost self-limit themselves on eating whole cotton seed; however, I have never totally trusted this. So I still recommend hand feeding so many pounds per head per day. I just feel this is the safest way. I know for a fact that there are producers around the country who are feeding whole cotton seed free choice and have not had any problems. Still, I guess it makes me a little uneasy to feed something that high in energy free choice.

I have talked to several nutritionists as it relates to feeding herd bulls whole cotton seed and about the rumor of the high fat content, and no one I have talked to has seen any research to indicate that rumor is valid.

Most nutritionists tell me that bulls would have to ingest a massive quantity for a long extended period of time to ever cause any kind of sterilization.

If you are still concerned about this, however, I would encourage you to talk to your veterinarian, or give me a call to anyone else you think might have some experience along these lines and satisfy yourself before you feed it. At least at this point there is no research to validate the claim that whole cotton seed will cause a bull to go sterile.

When feeding whole cotton seed there are several ways to do it. Some people mix it in broiler litter, others feed it free choice, and others feed so many pounds per head per day right on the ground. The latter is probably the most common way it is fed.

If you are feeding lactating cows,

KINSTON ELEMENTARY HONOR ROLL Grade 1-6

GRADE 1
Dillon Fuller, Courtney Hall, Meaghan Hawthorne, Wesley Hunko, Hollie Kilcrease, Erick Odom, Ash-ton Parker, Nickolas Weeks, Tyler Wilson

GRADE 2
Clay Craig, Whitney Davis, Aaron Jacobs, Ashley E. Kelley, Heather Marlowe, Ashley McCall, John Moss, Courtney Pierce, Caitlin Tindell, Beth Vaughn, Christie Whigham, Monica Wilford, Rebecca Yates

GRADE 3
Brook Barlette, Josh Grice, Trey-wick Kendrick, Chris Smith, Zane Spann, Brittany Thomaston, Courtney Weeks

GRADE 4
Ashley Carter, A.J. Davis, Britney Donaldson, Josh Driver, Emily Farris, John Francisco, Timell Harrison, Josh Holum, Brittany Hunko, Casey Mack, Garret Parker, Ramsey Phillips

GRADE 5
Breanna Hattaway, Brittany Holley, Tiffany Wilson

GRADE 6
Jerome Driver, Jonathan Hattaway, Daniel Holum, Amanda Lashley, Megan Piland, Hillary Sumblin

A & B

GRADE 1
Brian Bowdoin, Taylor Davis, Bryanna Edgar, A.J. Johnson, Alix Kelley, Allen Mack, Caleb Norris, Calina Norris, Emily Parker, Eric Reese, Jessica Reeves, Chris Scofield, Jessie Sessions, Eric Wise

GRADE 2
Shayla Ballard, Suzanne Chance, Brittany Dubose, Erick Ellis, J.R. Fleming, Shelley Forhand, Renea Gilmore, Amanda Gunn, Brittany Holley, Blake Johnson, Elizabeth King, Tiffany Lee, Deanna Manning, Ethan Nobles, Brandon Reese, Adam Ward, Jeremy Wiggins, Ben Wise

GRADE 3
Holly Boswell, Angel Francisco, Ashley Gass, T.J. Harrison, Rob Sanders, Lashea Smith

GRADE 4
Blaine Drury, Ashley Dubose, Jessie Greer, Danielle Kelley, Josh Lowery, Amber McCall, Amber McKinney, Ethan Nobles, Patterson, Matthew Snelit, Mindy Wise

GRADE 5
Justin Grimes, Amanda Jacobs, Billy Johnson, Marlene Parker, Josh Reeves, Mitchell Whaley

GRADE 6
Courtney Farris, Shae Farris, Michael Hattaway, Kacie Kelley, Ross Kelley, Haley Kilcrease, Meagan King, Bridgett Marlowe, Ashley Moore, Amber Rivers, Ashley Rushing, Lance Sherwood, Samantha Wambles, Jeremy Wiggins, Chase Williams, Ben Wise

KINSTON ELEMENTARY PERFECT ATTENDANCE

KINDERGARTEN
Alissa Atwell, Hunter Devine, Lee Devine, Gavin Free, Chelsey Gass, K.C. Hattaway, Whitney Hucus, Jacob Holum, Kit Johnson, Jonathan Johnson, Ric Johnson, Chelsea Weatherington, Marika Whitehurst, Abby Williams

GRADE 1
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MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE VOTING BEATS IS TABLED

Long meeting greets new commission chairman

by Marvin McLwain - Editor

Monday's meeting of the Coffee County Commission lasted longer than usual with several items on the agenda creating several minutes of discussion.

Commissioner Robert Stephens, newly elected chairman, presided over the meeting.

Commissioners took care of "old business" carried over from their last meeting. The awarding of the bid for the emergency generator for the county's emergency management agency was tabled at the October 30th meeting.

Chairman Stephens recapped the bid and funding on the generator prior to asking for a vote from the commission.

H & H Equipment's (an Enterprise firm) low bid of \$28,424.00 was adjusted to \$28,324 at the request of Webb. The grant money received from the state for this project is \$18,750.00 leaving the amount to be furnished by the county at \$9,574.00.

Stephens noted that the original commitment on the generator, by the county, was \$6,250.00. He explained that the county will have to increase

its allocation by \$3,324.00. The EMA agreed to designate \$500 from its budget toward this project leaving the county's increased share at \$2,824.00 (\$9,074 from the county & \$500 from the EMA).

Prior to the vote, Commissioner Doug Dalrymple questioned the necessity of a 3-phase generator and other options that could possibly be deleted decreasing the cost of the generator.

The purchase of the generator was approved with Commissioners Dalrymple and Tom Grimley casting dissenting votes.

Ronnie Kennington appeared before the commission to discuss a water problem on his property located at the intersection of County Roads 648 & 649.

According to Kennington, beavers have built a dam causing water to back up on his property. It has also hampered drainage of a pipe under the roadway.

After a short period of discussion, County Engineer Randy Tindell presented a resolution calling for the county's licensed beaver trapper in solving the problem. He noted that the dam could be removed; however, if the beavers are not captured, the problem will only return.

The commissioners agreed to go along with Tindell's suggestion.

Mary Jon Snekkenberger, chairperson of the Coffee County Board of Registrars, appeared before the commissioners seeking their help in accurately updating the county's vot-

ing list.

At the present time, there are just over 20,650 active registered voters in Coffee County, but there are 7,747 voter who have been placed on the inactive list due to incorrect address information.

Since January, the registrars have been working to find the most current addresses of county voters.

Non-forwardable cards were sent out to the last known addresses of voters. If the address was correct, it was not necessary for the voter to return the card.

However, if the address of the voter on the card had been changed, the post office noted the new address and returned the card to the registrars.

Due to a new federal law, a phone call by the voter is no longer sufficient to update voter registration. It has to be done in person.

The Board of Registrars is asking commissioners and the public to help in locating these inactive voters and making sure all county voters are properly identified.

In January of 1998, a list of inactive voters will be published in the local newspapers.

Any voter who has moved or has questions concerning their voter registration should contact the Board of Registrars' office at 894-5347 or go by their office located in the County Complex in New Brockton.

In the general business session, County Engineer Randy Tindell presented a resolution calling for the adoption of the revised subdivisions regulations for the county.

For the past several weeks, the commissioners have been reviewing and recommending changes in the present subdivision regs.

Commissioners asked that the vote on the resolution be postponed until next meeting. This will give them time to review the final version of the new subdivision regulations. The engineer was to provide the commissioners with copies of the finished product Monday afternoon.

Commissioner Bernest Brooks introduced a resolution seeking approval from the United States Justice Department - Civil Rights Division that the voting location in District 5 Beat 6 be changed.

Presently, voters in that beat vote at Virgil Coleman's Mortuary in Elba. The resolution seeks a change from Coleman's Mortuary to the old Mulberry Heights School in the same general location.

The change, should it be approved by the Justice Department, will become effective on all elections held after Nov. 1, 1997. The commission approved the resolution.

Commissioner Linda Westbrock thanked the Elba Utility Board for extending a waterline on Co. Rd. 224 and the Jack Water Authority for approving an extension on Co. Rd. 219.

She also thanked State Senator Dwight Adams for obtaining \$4,000 to be used toward the funding of a new baseball field at Zion Chapel High School.

Commissioner Grimley brought up the possible purchase of electronic voting machines that the commission has been looking into for the past several weeks.

He noted that under the present circumstances, a total of 45 machines would be required at a cost of \$249,000.00.

Grimley stated the following statistics based on past elections: the county has 7 districts with 33 different voting locations (beats); 15 locations have 500 or less voters registered to vote; 7 of the 15 have less than 200 voters; in the last election, 62% of the county's registered voters voted; some locations had as few as 34 voters casting votes; and four of the locations are less than four miles apart.

"We could eliminate eight of these machines by combining all beats with 500 or less voters," said Grimley. "That would be a savings of \$44,000.00 plus the poll workers and maintenance cost."

"These voting houses were set up in the Depression Era when people were in a horse and buggy days. A lot of people had to walk to vote."

"Other county personnel that I have talked to that want to electronic voting have consolidated some of their houses in some way or another," Grimley said.

Following that statement, he made a motion to save tax payer's money and to update the method of voting in Coffee County.

Commissioners Westbrook and Stephens both voiced their disapproval of closing any voting houses on the county.

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Elba city council gives support to local group organizing a Boys to Men Club

by Fernin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council voted Monday evening to support the recently organized Boys to Men Club by leasing them a portion of the old school buildings to use as a meeting place.

Council member Winzel Gray told assembled city fathers that the movement to start the organization is about six months old. They have 30

plans to do is conduct sex education classes, help the young men stay in church, minister to them and their problems, attend school board meetings in their behalf and any other thing which might arise in which they can show a positive role model for the teenagers and pre-teens.

Bills totaling \$19,255.69 were approved for payment. This included \$3,906.51 in vehicle and equipment repair; \$2,101.47 for asphalt; \$1,797.44 for renovations in the recreation department.

The official holidays for city employees during the Christmas season will be Christmas Day and the following Friday. Normally city employees get Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. However, according to Mayor James Grimes, employees asked that this be changed for this year, to give them a long weekend.

Police Chief R. W. Whitworth reported they were progressing with the project of securing an in-house NCIC machine and getting the people trained and officially qualified to operate it. He said a magnetic lock has been installed to keep anyone from entering the area of the police dispatchers with the door being opened from inside the dispatcher's work area. This will prevent unauthorized people getting into the area, Whitworth said.

The chief also told council members that a citizen out of the city limits, but in the police jurisdiction, wanted help in organizing a Neighborhood Watch and the Elba police would be working with the community group on this project.



OUTSTANDING BUSINESS 1997...The Farm-City Week Committee has selected Winzell Lumber Company of Elba as the Outstanding Business of 1997. Jackie and Charlotte Windham accepted their award during a ceremony held last Thursday morning at the County Complex in New Brockton. The business opened more than 30 years ago in their old location on Payne Street in Elba with Jack B. Windham and his wife, Jessie, as owners and operators. Jack B. Windham, Jr., better known as Jackie, began in the family business in 1973, and has been with the business since that time, presently serving as vice-president and CEO. Windham Lumber Company purchased the flood-damaged Elba Elementary School and has restored the 11,000 sq. ft. area into a beautiful facility housing the business. A "Grand Opening" of the new location was held in August 1997. When contacted advising him of his nomination for this award, Jackie stated that he did not want to be mentioned because it is his employees that have made the business what it is today. Citizens of Elba and the surrounding community still remember Jackie's kindness and generosity in helping everyone after the flood of 1990. Making the presentation to Jackie and Charlotte (left) are Barbara Hudson, Executive Director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce, and Elba Mayor James E. Grimes (right).

Water and Electric to solicit bids to buy a new tractor

by Fernin Cox, Publisher

The Elba Water and Electric Board members voted Monday evening to begin the bid process to buy a new tractor before next spring.

The equipment will be used to do a better job of moving around and under power lines. Superintendent James Grimes said they had the state bid price, but would rather buy locally if a comparable price is available.

Bills totaling \$31,283.16 were approved for payment.

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boys involved at present and others interested. He assured the council this organization is not black or white, it is open to anyone.

There is a 10 member board, all volunteers, and they are open to others who might want to make a difference, to give them a long weekend.

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ELBA CITY COUNCIL MEMBER WINZEL GRAY is shown holding one of the shirts being furnished to members of the newly formed Boys to Men Club.

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